

Proposed SGA cabinet changes spark debate

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The first legislation introduced by the incoming Sellitto/Golom administration sparked some early controversy at an SGA Assembly meeting last Tuesday.

The new leadership's threefold proposed changes to the executive council of the SGA for next year, the most controversial of which included changing the director of Commuter Affairs to director of Non-Residential Affairs in order to be more inclusive of students living off-campus in areas such as Gallagher Park, Homeland and Bonny Ridge.

The proposal also included doing away with the director of Transfer Affairs and changing the name of the director of Multicultural Affairs to director of Diversity Affairs.

The proposal to abolish the director of Commuter Affairs has been shrouded in controversy due to rumors that had been circulating before the official unveiling of the proposal. Matt Fischer, director of Commuter Affairs, maintains that the proposal was never brought to him. After hearing about the proposal Fischer emailed the commuters urging them to express their concern about this issue.

"At 3:30 a.m. Tuesday that Myke Sellitto emailed the commuters without my knowledge to make it seem as though I had recommended it," Fischer said.

The Sellitto/Golom proposal

came as an attempt to make the SGA designation for commuter students and non-resident students more in line with the SGA constitution.

"There is no gray area, under the SGA it's an umbrella, you're either a resident or not," said Sellitto.

According the Commuter Student Association (CSA) constitution a commuter is designated by someone who lives more than a mile away from campus for over a year, while the SGA constitution only makes a designation between resident and non-resident, which is what prompted the legislation proposal.

After a quick vote to exclude the director of Transfer Affairs attention and discussion shifted to the topics of the name changes.

Director of Finance Joe Bracco opened the floor to debate on the issues by explaining that by lumping non-resident students in with commuters they are receiving double representation in the SGA. Traditionally, non-resident students have been represented by the director of Community Relations, but under the new legislation the approximately 250 commuter students and 600 off-campus residents would be represented by the director of Non-Resident Affairs.

"The point is that these people are covered already," said Joe Boyle, director of Resident Affairs. "Whether or not the person sitting in that position is doing his job or

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Pot use above national average

By NICK ALEXOPULOS
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Statistics from the 2002 Loyola Core survey released last week by Alcohol and Drug Education and Support Services show that a disproportionately large number of Loyola students use or have tried marijuana compared to the national average of college students. The numbers reaffirmed what administrators believe to be a growing problem among the student body.

"[Marijuana] is a problem here that we have suspected for some time has affected the community," said Leonard Brown, director of Student Life. "It's clearly an area where we have been working with campus police to see what proactive things we can do."

Last fall, Alcohol and Drug Education and Support Services (ADESS) distributed the 2002 core survey to students during class periods and recorded 893 responses overall, just over one quarter of the total undergraduate enrollment. According to the institute's website, the survey was developed by the Core Institute to help colleges evaluate the nature and score of alcohol and drug abuse on their campuses in a statistically valid and reliable manner.

Over 65,000 students from two-



NICK ALEXOPULOS/GREYHOUND

According to results from the 2002 Core survey, a higher percentage of Loyola students use marijuana than the national average of college students.

and four-year colleges in the United States took the 2002 survey, and their statistics make up the national numbers released along with Loyola's individual results.

The survey is separated into three categories: Whether or not a student has used a certain substance in his or her lifetime, at least once in the past 30 days (for current use) and three or more times a week.

In many of the categories a higher percentage of Loyola students answered affirmatively

than the national average. The largest discrepancies are in the alcohol and marijuana use categories.

The survey results illuminate this problem and raise other questions as to the severity of the amount of marijuana use among students. Of the Loyola students who participated in the survey, 61 percent have used marijuana in their lifetime, 28 percent higher than the national average of 33 percent. Thirty-two percent of Loyola respondents said they

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Loyola revising emergency plans

By MIKE HILT
Staff Writer

With the beginning of the war on Iraq and the elevation of the terror alert to "orange", Loyola's administration is working to implement measures to ensure safety here on campus.

Like most colleges and universities in the United States, Loyola began working on these measures before the first time the alert condition was at the orange level. Following the beginning of

the war, the alert level was again set at orange and the college's awareness was heightened once again.

"Our security is up about as high as it will go, unless a specific threat is made against the Baltimore region and/or Loyola; that is when we would go to 'red'," said Director of Public Safety Tim Fox.

"Loyola College has taken the first steps in implementing a specific emergency plan to compliment our comprehensive

crisis plan," said President Rev. Harold Ridley, S.J. in a recent e-mail to the college community.

"Campuses are notoriously wide open places. What we are going to do is limit some of that wide-openness," said Fox. He went on to describe that the aim of these measures is to ensure the college's preparedness for any sort of incident that may occur in Baltimore area or on the campus itself. A number of areas are being specifically examined in the completion of this goal.

"Because of world events we are in the process of organizing these areas," said Leonard Brown, director of Student Life.

The foremost area is education - the education of the students and faculty in what to do in the event of all sorts of possible scenarios. The goal is to inform residents on evacuation policies and preparation for those possible evacuations, as well as general knowledge of staying safe.

Another area of this preparedness is the collection of contact numbers and the posting of a sign on the back of residents'

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Study finds change in viewpoint

By MORGAN HILLENBRAND
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A recent survey from the Higher Education Research Institute showed that students who attend Catholic colleges and universities tend to develop more liberal views on issues such as sex, abortion and same-sex marriages by the time they graduate.

The survey's questionnaire was first administered in 1997 to freshmen at 35 Catholic schools, including Loyola College. The survey found that in 1997, 45 percent of freshmen at Catholic schools were pro-choice. By 2001, the same students were 57 percent pro-choice.

Also in 1997, 27.5 percent of the interviewed students thought that pre-marital sex was acceptable. By 2001, nearly 50 percent agreed. The percentage of students who

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One aspect of the new emergency plan is better enforcement of parking areas around the towers.

Fundraising efforts go on in down economic times

By MIKE MEMOLI
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The college is closely monitoring the status of the nation's economy as it prepares to publicly launch the largest capital campaign in its history.

With the uncertain nature of the stock market and growing anxiety over national security in a time of war, soliciting donations from parents, alumni and the community at large has grown increasingly difficult.

"The most important thing in fundraising work is the relationships with your alumni and donors in general," said Vice President of Development and College Relations Michael Goff. "You want the gift relationship you have with them to be one that encourages them to give gifts in the future. You have to keep asking but you can't keep relentlessly pushing for answers when it's not the right time for the answers."

In addition to the yearly Annual Fund drive, the college is currently engaged in the "leadership phase" of its "Preparing Tomorrow" capital campaign, which seeks to raise \$80 million for new academic buildings, the Woodberry athletic complex and other initiatives outlined in the new strategic plan. So far, nearly \$40 million has been raised.

The college continues to seek six and seven-figure donations from trustees and other major contributors, but Goff said the economy is certainly hindering the college's efforts.

"It's affected the campaign in that it takes people longer to assess what they can do, especially when they are being asked for such big gifts," he said. "Corporations aren't going to give you money unless they are making money, and most companies aren't making profits right now."

This problem is certainly not unique to

Loyola. Johns Hopkins University's \$2 billion fundraising effort that was launched in 2000 still had not reached the halfway mark by the end of February. It has now pushed back its anticipated completion date to 2007, according to the *Chronicle of Higher Education*.

Loyola hopes to reach the \$50 million level this year before publicly launching its campaign. As of last week, the Development Office was awaiting responses on its most recent solicitations totaling \$20 million.

Goff said the ambitious nature of this new strategic plan is one of the greatest assets in marketing the fundraising effort to prospective donors, but the significant growth of the college in the past decade is also a successful pitch.

"The fact that the contributions of the past have been so well-utilized is such a tremendous selling point," Goff said. "The fact that Loyola has such an important and distinct mission is impressive to many donors."

Amid the focus on long-term fundraising goals, the college continues to make strides in its Evergreen Fund drive, the yearly fundraising effort which goes directly into Loyola's operating budget. In its sesquicentennial last year, the Evergreen Fund saw double digit percentage increases from the previous year, and Goff said he expects this year's effort to surpass last year's record total of \$3.3 million.

"As years go by, you have to run harder to get to the same distance because of difficult economic times," Goff said.

Select Campaign Initiatives:

Athletic Complex: \$20 million
Selling Building: \$14 million
Library Expansion: \$6 million
Scholarship Support: \$6 million



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The Health Center hopes to provide valuable information and entertainment at its fair, to take place Thursday in McGuire Hall after a one-year hiatus.

Annual Health Fair planned Promises to entertain and inform

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The annual health fair will take in McGuire Hall on Thursday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., offering students a fun and interactive way to get up to date on current health issues.

The fair will include over 60 health organizations from both on campus and around Baltimore. The fair will offer students free food, prizes, demonstrations and screenings, as well as the chance to get information from various health service providers.

Jeanne Lombardi, the director of Health Services, encourages students to use the fair as a chance to evaluate their fitness level and think about getting in shape for spring.

"It's a chance to have fun and integrate health education within a festive atmosphere," Lombardi said.

The fair's tone will be almost like a party, with music provided by WLOY, raffles and a visit from the Raven's mascot.

A "celebrity stir-fry" will give students

the chance to eat food cooked by members of the Loyola community. Rev. Harold Ridley, S.J. will be serving at noon, and many other faculty members will take their place behind the wok throughout the day.

"We hope to expose students to a variety of health issues they need to know about in a way that is entertaining, rather than just lecturing at them," said Laura DiSabatino, the student coordinator of the health fair.

Other health fair events will include a presentation by the mayor's office honoring the Health Services department, panels from the AIDS quilt on display and visits by food vendors such as Fresh Samantha and Trader Joe's.

Students are encouraged to come dressed in comfortable clothes, as there will be chances to get physically involved in activities such as spinning classes.

Last year the health fair was not held because of conflicts with the Sesquicentennial celebration. The planners have made up for the lost time by making the fair bigger than ever before.



Around the World From wire reports

Iraq says 58 dead from bomb blasts

Pockets of resistance continued to threaten supply lines of American troops in southern Iraq as Coalition forces fought pitched battles with Iraq troops.

In Baghdad, cruise missiles and two large "bunker buster" bombs blasted the city. One crowded market place was hit especially hard, with the Iraqi government claiming 58 people dead as a result.

South Korea suggests U.S. initiative in North

South Korea urged that the United States take an initiative toward North Korea similar to President Nixon's overtures to communist China in the 1970s.

Secretary of State Colin S. Powell said the suggestion could be a possibility after North Korea satisfies the United States on its nuclear and weapons programs.

Afghan leader transferred to Cuba

Afghan tribal leader Naeem Koochi has been transferred from Bagram air base to the detention facility in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Koochi's capture by U.S. forces three months ago resulted in major protests by his followers, as well as government leaders in Afghanistan.

His transfer will most likely cause increased tensions between the U.S. military and Afghans in the important border areas near Pakistan, since Koochi comes from that area.

Turkish Jet Hijacker Surrenders

A Turkish airliner was hijacked Friday night and forced to land in Athens. The jet was carrying more than 200 people from Istanbul to Ankara.

After a three-hour standoff, the hijacker, a man in his early 20s, surrendered and released the passengers.

Campus Police Blotter Selected excerpts from reports

Saturday, March 22

Campus police responded to a noise violation in Campion Towers. The officers knocked on the door to ask the residents to turn down their music. Once inside, the officers found a ping pong table and 92 cans of beer. Two students were escorted across the hall to get their IDs, where campus police found more cans of beer. Student Life was notified.

Sunday, March 23

Four students were horseplaying in the driveway behind Newman West. They were throwing a tennis ball and disrupting the normal flow of pedestrian and vehicular traffic and causing unsafe conditions for others. Campus police asked them to leave.

Monday, March 24

Four white females wearing orange jackets, employees of Hooters of Baltimore, were found in Hopkins Court. They were signing up female students over 18 years of age to work at Hooters.

Monday, March 24

A suspicious male, medium height, no hair, jumped in front of two female students' car on the Ennis Parallel. The students were very frightened by the incident and contacted campus police to find the man. However, the suspect was not found.

Thursday, March 27

A student in Campion Towers reported that 7 to 10 of his DVD's had been stolen. The student stated that their room was always locked while they were gone. Some of the movies that were missing included *Austin Powers 2*, *Monsters Inc.* and *Childs Play*.

-- compiled by Erin Kane

Event networks alums, LC

By MIKE MEMOLI
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Hoping to provide seniors every resource in a difficult job market, the Office of Alumni Relations has partnered with the Career Development and Placement Center to host an alumni networking event tomorrow from 6 to 9:30 p.m. in McGuire Hall.

Called "Job Search Strategies for the Baltimore Market," the event will bring successful Loyola alumni back to campus to offer current students advice on how to navigate the Baltimore job market. It is modeled after successful alumni networking events in New York over the past two years.

"This is a new venture where we're collaborating with Career Development to leverage the experience and success of our alumni," said Brian Bowden, director of Alumni Relations.

Alumni representing four different career areas—finance, communications, marketing and sales and health services, will participate in seminar-style presentations to discuss their careers and provide advice on conducting effective job searches. Among the companies and organizations represented are T. Rowe Price, Legg Mason, Deutsche Bank, *The Baltimore Sun*, Black & Decker, St. Joseph's Medical Center and

the Johns Hopkins Medical Center.

"We deliberately went out and found alumni who were well placed in these firms who we thought would be of value to the students," Bowden said.

After the two panel discussions, students will have an opportunity to network with the alumni employers during a reception.

"What I've seen happen up in New York is that a lot of the interaction results in follow-up interaction," Bowden said, noting that a number of students have landed interviews or job placements as a result of the New York sessions.

This event is part of an overall effort by Alumni Relations to provide more varied events for its alumni. As Loyola's alumni base expands out of Maryland, the college has hired a new full-time administrator to help coordinate events such as tomorrow's to encourage more participation. The college expects to launch networking events in Washington, D.C. and Philadelphia in the next three to five years. They are also working to establish with the help of Career Development an on-line networking platform for students and alumni to interact.

For more information on tomorrow's fair or to register online, students can visit www.loyola.edu/stayconnected/alumnirelatons/BaltimoreCareer.html.

Survey says: LC pot use high

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used marijuana in the past 30 days compared to the national average of 19 percent, a difference of 13 percent. Loyola's survey results were closest to the national average of those students who use marijuana three times a week or more, at 8 percent and 7 percent, respectively.

"We are currently working on a new effort to correct misperceptions students have of the incidence of alcohol and other drug use here at Loyola," said Jan Williams, director of Alcohol and Drug Education and Support Services. "Students invariably overestimate usage, which may lead to individual choices to use based on the misperception. Thus, we would like to begin to promote the information that, for example, two-thirds of Loyola students do not currently use marijuana."

Despite the possibility of students overestimating substance use, the number of catalogued drug violations is on the rise. According to Student Life, there have been 30 drug use or possession violations in the 2002-2003 academic year, up from 18 last year and 22 the year before. Drug paraphernalia possession violations also jumped this year, from 10 in 2001-2002 to 22. (Drug violation numbers do not parallel numbers of students.) Brown said that these numbers do not necessarily mean more students use marijuana or other drugs this year than in previous years.

"It could be that RAs and campus police are policing more, which explains the rise in disciplinary instances," said Brown.

Williams believes that the drug violation data from Student Life and results of the Core survey could give the community misleading assumptions about student drug use.

"The current spate of marijuana violations of the Code of Conduct may anecdotally give the impression that everyone is using pot, but the data show less than one-third of students used pot during the past 30 days," Williams said.

Particular violations during the week of Blizzard '03 exemplified the chief concern of both Student Life and Public Safety with regards to marijuana -- selling.

According to Tim Fox, director of Public Safety, campus police encountered the smell of marijuana while routinely patrolling the halls in Newman Towers. The subsequent

room entry yielded small amounts of marijuana and large amounts of cash, and the cash was turned over to the Drug Enforcement Administration. Fox said that Baltimore Police arrested students in Newman Towers that same week for possession of marijuana.

"Marijuana seems to be the drug of choice that has some acceptance on campus," Fox said. He added that the arrest by Baltimore Police was "the first time in a long time" BCPD arrested students on campus for drug possession.

Brown said that his focus is to combat selling or marijuana and other drugs because of the dangers that accompany drug transactions.

"With marijuana comes people who are selling it, which brings another level of danger to the community," said Brown. "It's a completely different beast than someone who is a recreational user."

The punishment for selling drugs is expulsion, and this year there were four instances of students caught selling marijuana, up from two in 2001-2002 and zero the previous year. Brown said that roommate situations are especially affected by selling marijuana and habitual marijuana use once students reach their sophomore year and live with larger groups of people.

"You can see overt negative consequences ... it impacts lives, academics, relationships," said Brown. "Just from a risk standpoint it doesn't make any sense why you would risk your college education over this."

According to the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy, reported use of marijuana is also increasing slightly on a national scale in recent years.

In 2001, 16 percent of surveyed respondents age 18 to 25 said that they used marijuana in the past month, up from 13.6 percent in 2000 and as low as 11 percent in the mid-90s. Also in 2001 there were 110,512 recorded marijuana-related episodes requiring an emergency department visit compared to 96,426 in 2000 and as low as 40,034 in 1994.

Despite the national trend and the high marijuana numbers from the Core survey at Loyola, Williams is optimistic.

"I suspect that most students would estimate the numbers who currently use marijuana to be much higher," Williams said.

Survey: Catholic colleges leading students astray

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attended religious services also dropped over the course of four years.

"Catholic colleges ought to be alarmed when most students thumb their noses at church teaching," said Patrick Reilly, author of "Are Catholic Colleges Leading Students Astray?" "The Vatican and Catholic Bishops have vocally opposed abortion, homosexual unions and premarital sex."

Reilly is the president of the Cardinal Newman Society, an organization that is "dedicated to the renewal of Catholic higher education." His article appeared in the March issue of *Catholic World Report*. He blames the student's changing viewpoints on the lack of strict classroom teaching, but Rev. Daniel Ruff, S.J., director of Campus Ministry at Loyola, believes that the change is do to the general growth and exposure that comes with adolescence and college.

"If the change is happening at all, it's because students are gaining wider exposure and learning to think and read critically," Ruff said. "These years are a time of experimentation and rebellion. Students are establishing independence."

Many students agree that their changing beliefs are a result of exposure to diverse people and opinions.

"I've become more liberal with most church-opposed issues because I met different people in college and abroad and got different opinions," said senior Shawn McCormick.

Students who attend mass less frequently through their college experience say it is not because of a loss of faith.

"Last year I went to mass probably 15 times. This year I never go," said sophomore Chris Kunda. "It's not because I'm like,

'Screw it. Forget religion.' I either have a lot going on, or I forget."

The survey shows that students of many faiths at both religious and nonsectarian schools become more liberal throughout their four years of college, proving that societal influences play a large part in students changes during these years.

Reilly brings up the question of whether church teachings against abortion, homosexuality and pre-marital sex should be brought into the classroom, and stresses the importance of *Ex Corde Ecclesiae*, or the student's "responsibility of being witness to Christ in whatever place they may exercise their profession." Students, however, believe that at times school calls for a separation of scholarship and faith.

"These issues should not be taught in the classroom. Theology is fine because it is a Jesuit school, but they can't make you believe something," said senior Chris Siska.

Ruff believes that it is important for students that attend Catholic schools to be fully informed of the church teachings.

"Informationally, a Catholic school is responsible for teaching what the church believes, particularly in the theology department. I'm not sure, however, that it would be appropriate to teach the church's teaching on abortion during a lecture on Genesis, or during my history and theology of the eucharist class," Ruff said.

Although the Cardinal Newman Society criticizes Catholic schools for the way they are run, both inside and outside the classroom, the organization does not offer insight into how the school should change.

"The organization never has any constructive suggestions about how to do things otherwise," Ruff said.

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Seniors choose 9/11 memorial

BY LIZ DIDORA
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This year the graduating class of 2003 decided to make its mark on campus by leaving a memorial to the victims of Sept. 11 as its senior class gift.

The Green and Grey Society, comprised of 14 seniors, made the final decision. They posted a vote on Blackboard about various ideas about what their present could be. When the votes came in 75 percent of the seniors voted for the memorial.

The actual gift has yet to be decided on but members of the senior class gift committee have a theme in mind. They have toyed with different ideas such as a foun-

tain, statue and picture memorial but nothing has been finalized yet.

One of the biggest drawbacks in finalizing the decision is money. How much money the senior class is able to get together will ultimately decide what kind of memorial they choose. The Green and Grey Society is looking to see how much money each senior is willing to contribute.

"The memorial should be as beautiful and appropriate as we want it to be," said senior class President Christine Maloblocki.

As of where the memorial should go is also being decided upon. Right now the senior class gift committee wants the memorial to stand on the grassy area between Donnelly Science Center and the Chapel.

Safety primary concern for LC

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doors. Residents will be asked by their RAs to fill out these forms. The signs will also be distributed by RAs and then put on the back of the door. These signs state the evacuation plan and are temporary, but will soon become permanent fixtures of campus life.

Parking is another issue. The spots that are of the biggest concern are the pay-spots in between Campion and Newman Towers.

"We are going to start enforcing these 24-7," Fox said. "We are going to start clamping down on that. We need to know who it is that is near our dorms."

A plan to evacuate the towers is also a priority in this planning stage. RAs along with Student Life and Public Safety have been working to coordinate the fastest and safest means of escape for those people that live in the towers if an evacuation is necessary. Fox put an emphasis on the safety of the stairwells. In an emergency, the safest place to be is in the stairwells because they are constructed under much stricter guidelines.

The next issue is the preparation of an

emergency kit. Items including a cell phone, medication and food and water are among those listed on literature distributed by Student Life as well as on the Internet.

If the campus, state or nation were to go to "red", then other measures would be added on to these. All members of the college community would be required to display their identification cards at all times, and all buildings would be card-access only.

These new measures are not necessarily just to prevent terrorist acts, but are to protect against all types of dangers as well. The college is taking a cautious stand in this time of uncertainty and fear.

"I think it's better safe than sorry," said Brown.

Safety plans remain a work in progress. Brown said a more complete security plan will be published in the fall. In the meantime, campus police and Student Life emphasize the need for the community to be educated, vigilant and aware during these confusing times. Materials are available online and will be available by Student Life and Public Safety.



MIKE MEMOLI/GREYHOUND

Kenneth H. Bancroft, president and CEO of St. Agnes Health Care, speaks at Saturday's Beta Sigma Gamma induction ceremony. In addition, 27 undergraduate students and six faculty in the Sellinger School of Business were inducted to the prestigious society, which honors academic excellence in business studies.

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not is another issue."

While several members of the Assembly felt that the position of director of Community Relations was predominantly a public relations position when it comes to students residing on the East side of campus and off-campus housing options and their relationship with the surrounding community.

"This never had my stamp of approval," said Fischer. "I never recommended this. If you are outside the radius of one mile then you are a commuter."

The overriding concern of most members of the assembly was that, given the new title, and lumping together of the student groups that the needs of the commuter students would fall by the wayside due to the fact that they would be a minority in that representation.

"My fear is that someone, such as my friends who live in Gallagher, will be elected, then the people who Matt is talking about will fall by the wayside," said Jessica Sarinelli, senior class re-presentative.

There was also a strong feeling among most of the assembly members that the needs of commuter students, who often live 20 minutes away or further and often do not feel included in campus events that start at 9 or 10 p.m. have very different concerns and needs than those who moved off campus in their junior or senior year.

"As for inclusivity, I agree with Frank [Golom, incumbent SGA vice president] but this can lead to exclusivity," said Fischer, in regards to less representation for commuter students.

The proposal was voted down at the end of the meeting after a lengthy discussion, which also included the change of the director of Multicultural Affairs to director of Diversity Affairs.

"The reason I would like a name change is because diversity is more inclusive as a word itself," said Erin O'Keefe, outgoing SGA president.

The issue of this title change also prompted a large debate. The proposed name change was opposed by Tamara Wright, director of Multicultural Affairs. The director of Multicultural Affairs deals with issues regarding ALANA services, the BSA, Spectrum and all other diversity issues.

"The issue is that the diversity definition is not set in stone," Wright said. "Diversity is on the fringes of this campus."

"I don't understand why we are holding on to the name 'multicultural' when that is clearly not the only thing we are dealing with here," said Golom.

In the end, the name change was passed along with the acceptance of Laura DiSabatino as SGA vice-president, taking Terrence Kneisel's position. Kelly Crossett will be filling the position of chief of staff left vacant by DiSabatino.

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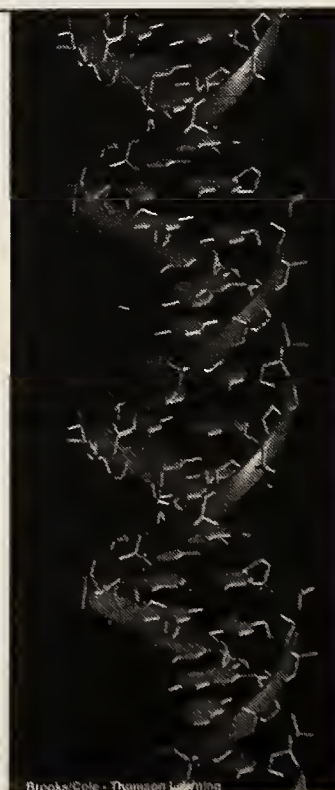
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Student focus turns to loved ones abroad

BY CHRISTINA SANTUCCI
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For Loyola community members who have relatives and friends involved in the war in Iraq, a variety of initiatives are being taken by individuals to provide emotional support, send care packages, and establish a notification system.

Along with Lamentations prayer service, a weekly liturgy is held on Tuesday at 10 p.m. in Campion Tower, with last week's focus being friends and family overseas. A list is being compiled through the distribution of papers by RAs where students can write the names of loved over overseas to be prayed for at the service.

Identifying students who have ties to those sent to Iraq can provide a sense of support in the event of a tragedy, said Rev. Kevin Gillespie S.J. and Ph. D., director of M.A. in Spiritual and Pastoral Care, who conducts Tuesday's services.

The Student Life Office aims to not be intrusive but at the same time provide the necessary support for those personally affected by stress and trauma because of the war, said Leonard Brown, director of Student Life.

"As student life hears about people, we are connecting with the individuals," said Donnie Cook, Counseling Center Director and

assistant vice president of Student Development.

Additionally, knowing those who have friends and family allows for Loyola's RAs and advisors to approach a student instead of waiting for those in need of support to seek it themselves, said Gillespie.

"In times of war, humans invariably crave beauty, and for the believer, that beauty can be found in prayer," said Gillespie, who also listed meditation, art and poetry as ways of lessening the culture wide anxiety due to the war.

"In the first month, it was really hard to deal with it, but channeling my energies into sending care packages has made it somewhat easier," said Taylor Jantz-Sell, a junior RA, whose boyfriend, Josh Well, 23, was sent to Iraq on Jan. 15.

Jantz-Sell began a floor program for her residents in Butler, sending packages to Well's naval ship, and with the collaboration of another RA, she is trying to set up a booth near the Post Office where people can drop off letters for the soldiers and donations for care packages.

A website where community members can post the names of friends and family in Iraq is currently being created by Joe Spause, a junior at Loyola, and from this, a list will be posted at the Post Office so that donators

can write letters based on the generalized message written by Jantz-Sell.

"Loyola has been very supportive of the soldiers abroad," said Jantz-Sell, citing donations for postage of care packages by Student Activities, Student Government, Campus Ministry, administrators, and friends.

"It's just very frightening and very real," said Danielle Lizardos, a sophomore whose cousin is currently stationed in Kuwait.

"We've asked our RA staff to check in with students and see how everything is going, and for those who have loved ones in Iraq, to recommend services available with the counseling center," said Brown.

Obsession with the media and up to the minute information can harmfully impact a student's life, in that necessary activities such as sleep and eating may be severely disrupted, said Gillespie.

Reading the news daily instead of constantly being glued to the TV lessens the anxiety of information overload, said Lauren Swaintek, a junior whose brother, Dave, 23, was sent to Iraq on Jan. 10 after graduating from West Point last year.

The lure of watching the news is in its ability to provide a detailed picture of what is going on where your loved ones are stationed, said

Lizardos and CNN has been very accurate in its coverage of the war, according Swaintek by word of her brother.

Both Swaintek and Jantz-Sell communicated with their respective brother and boyfriend overseas at first with phone calls and now mostly by way of email, though the frequency of those emails has lessened, according Jantz-Sell.

Although the exact number of Loyola community members who have loved ones in Iraq remains unknown, the direct impact of personal connections to the war is becoming more apparent to many students and faculty members.

"A few of my students at my Columbia graduate classes, who have an average age of about 44, were called up for service," said Gillespie, who compared the current situation with the Vietnam War.

A general and cohesive support for troops abroad as well as their loved ones is called for by Jantz-Sell, who added that "the troops don't necessarily agree with the war, but they are there doing their job to protect us."

Students, faculty, and administrators who have friends and family in Iraq are encouraged to speak with their RAs or to contact the counseling center.

Bush visit boosts troop morale

(U-WIRE) MACDILL AFB -- President Bush assured troops at MacDill Air Force Base on Wednesday that Saddam Hussein is losing his grip on Iraq.

Bush greeted hundreds of uniformed troops and their families in a hangar to rally support among Americans and military personnel for the nation's battle to remove the Iraqi regime.

Bush said the military has remained focused throughout the first week of the war and will continue to "overcome every danger."

--Grace Agostin

The Oracle

(U. South Florida)

Students, professors among 67 arrested

(U-WIRE) MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. -- Police arrested 67 anti-war protesters Tuesday, including at least 15 University of Minnesota students and two professors.

War Briefs

About 200 demonstrators blocked entrances to the federal courthouse in downtown Minneapolis to chant anti-war messages and perform civil disobedience.

--Elizabeth Dunbar

Minnesota Daily

(U. Minnesota)

Washington State U. students walk out in protest

(U-WIRE) PULLMAN, Wash.

An estimated 150 protesters gathered at Washington State University's Glenn Terrell Mall for an organized walk-out, in which they condemned what they called an illegal and immoral war and President Bush's arrogance in handling foreign affairs.

The crowd of protesters, made up of WSU and local high school students and community members, eventually made its way to downtown Pullman, Wash. At about 1 p.m., they observed a five-minute moment of silence.

--Anthony Wood

Daily Evergreen

(Washington State Univ.)

--compiled from college newspapers nationwide

American troops prepare to build prisons

BY RONALD PAUL LARSON
DAILY TITAN (CAL STATE FUL.)

(U-WIRE) Camp Camden, KUWAIT -- The 36th Engineer Group along with the 46th and 109th Engineer Battalions moved out of their camps in Kuwait on Monday and into southern Iraq. Loaded into more than half a dozen convoys totaling 400 vehicles, they left throughout the morning, beginning at 6:45 a.m. The mission of the approximately 1,000 men and women in the three units is to build a camp for Iraqi prisoners of war.

The destination of the 36th Engineer Group and 46th Engineer Battalion convoys was a location about 70 miles north of the Kuwaiti border; the sight of the future war prisoner camp to be called Camp Bucca. The camp is named after a New York City firefighter who died at the World Trade Center on Sept. 11. Capt. Brian Chapuron of the 36th Engineers said the idea came from Col. Ecke of the 800th Military Police Brigade, who is a reservist and a New York City firefighter.

The 800th M.P. Brigade is the unit that will guard the Iraqi prisoners of war once they arrive. They will also provide security for the engineers while they build the

camp, Chapuron said.

The camp will be built on a large, flat, desolate plain and is designed to hold several thousand Iraqi prisoners. It can be expanded if necessary. The number of prisoners it will hold will depend on circumstances.

Most of the convoys arrived in the late afternoon and quickly began to set up their large command and sleep tents to get the generators on line before night made their work much more difficult. As it was, many soldiers worked late into the night.

The next morning, several sleep tents had to be put up and most of them sandbagged. Filling sandbags and placing them around the bottom of the tents took most of the day.

The day began windy and by mid-afternoon it was a sandstorm. Soldiers who were fixing and putting up tents against a gusting wind in the morning found themselves filling sandbags and placing them around the tents in a blizzard of sand and wind in the



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U.S. troops are fighting the elements in their push toward Baghdad.

afternoon.

Everyone was drafted to fill sandbags. Majors and captains worked beside sergeants and privates kneeling in the sand, filling sandbags and tying them up. The bags were then loaded onto the front hoods of Humvees and then unloaded at the tents. By nightfall,

work had stopped. The soldiers probably would have continued working under normal circumstances, but the blowing sand and darkness prevented it.

Maj. Christopher Sallese, a veteran of the 1991 Gulf War, said he didn't experience anything this bad back then.

"We had the rain, but not the wind," he said. He then told me that the 109th Engineers, who are camped about 60 miles away, had worse problems.

The 109th Engineers had put their tents up on pre-existing cement slabs.

Sgt. Jimie Logan of Bellville, Ill., called the weather horrendous. It was "raining rocks," he said.

When the wind slowed and it started to rain, Logan said several officers took the opportunity to shower in the rain.

Because there have been communication problems in this location, it appears that some of the units will move to another location, possibly farther north, while others will stay to build the camp.

The week at war

March 25

An estimated 350 Iraqis were killed or captured by Coalition forces during battles in Najaf and Nasiriya, while Coalition planes sped toward Baghdad in order to clear a path for the planned face-off with Iraqi Republican Guards. 43 Coalition servicemen have been killed since the war began.

March 26

Airstrikes continued on Basra, Baghdad and Chamchamel. 1000 paratroopers from the 173rd Airborne Brigade were dropped into Kurdish controlled northern Iraq, opening up a much needed second route to Baghdad. Four more servicemen were killed.

March 27

The first two 4,500 pound "bunker buster" bombs were dropped on Baghdad while airstrikes continued on the Republican Guards stationed south of the city. The U.S. Department of Defense announced that 430,000 new troops will be introduced within the next two months.

March 28

A Kuwait City mall was hit by ground missiles from Iraq injuring two. Vice President Dick Cheney announced that Syria has been sending military aid, such as night vision goggles, into Iraq. Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld calls this "a hostile act."

March 29

With a suicide bomber killing four U.S. soldiers at a checkpoint in Najaf and continued fighting in Nasiriya, the total number of Coalition casualties rose to 57. Although the U.S. government has not confirmed it, Iraqi television reports that 357 Iraqis have been killed and 3,650 have been injured since the start of the war.

— THE GREYHOUND EDITORIAL — Proceed with caution

"Change does occur at Loyola; it might be slow, but if something needs to be improved, then it will be."

— Erin O'Keefe, Student Government Association President.

Within one week of being elected president of the SGA, Myke Sellitto not only proposed but brought to a vote several changes to a constitution still hot off the presses. In his campaign, Sellitto, and VP Frank Golom, promised students a "revolution," a "new Loyola."

Certainly it is commendable for our incoming president to have an ambitious agenda, and one that has at its focus bringing the administration and students together. Understandably, student leaders have only a brief time to effect change, but that is precisely why we advise the new administration to proceed with caution.

The current student administration is a testament to what can be accomplished by building bridges with the administration to ensure all sides are on the same page. In the past few years, the SGA has been able to bring about a renewed recycling program, more focus on social justice issues, more events promoting school spirit, and the potential for a student voice on the Board of Trustees. None of these, however, has been or will be accomplished overnight.

Sellitto's proposals, outlined in a news article and discussed in an opinions column this week, certainly sparked heated debate. What bothered a number in the SGA was that he allowed for only a day or two of discussion on the merits of the proposed changes, and for the most part acted unilaterally in proposing them to begin with. Clearly, Matthew Fischer was not part of discussions on a proposed change to commuter student representation.

It took over a year's worth of discussions and debates to get the SGA's new constitution passed last year, so it is not too much to ask that changes be given at least a fraction of that time to amend it.

Again, we know that Sellitto only has just over a year to act and bring about his revolution. But if the college administration is offered proposals in much the same way the SGA membership was, we may be in for a difficult year. Some administrators are very anxious about the new SGA. If they do not see a willingness to cooperate, though, it will be very tempting for them just to wait the year out for a new administration. As O'Keefe said in the quote above, the college is willing to make changes, but not if they are forced down its throat.

Gene takes a bite out of binge-eating

Remember that last trip you took to McDonald's with your friends? It might have not been your fault for pigging out the way you did. Genes may be the culprit for your binge eating. Even if you said that you



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are not alone out there having these twisted thoughts. According to the National Institute of Health, the unofficial most common eating disorder, binge-eating, strikes up to 4 million Americans.

I found an article on cnn.com about this specific type of eating disorder. It said that, "Binge-eaters, who are usually but not always over-weight, frequently and compulsively stuff them-selves -- often in secret-- and feel ashamed after-wards."

So, the next time you think about making that trip to the fast food restaurant of your choice to pick up two cheeseburgers, a large basket of fries and a huge drink, think about this:

In this study concerning binge eating, researchers have focused on a gene linked to obesity in earlier studies.

"Known as the melanocortin four receptor gene, it makes protein by that name that helps stimulate appetite in the brain's hunger-regulating hypothalamus. If a mutated gene makes too little protein, the body feels too much hunger."

It is just natural for our bodies to feel hunger pains when we have not eaten. If we see those advertisements for fast food, we feel as if we should go back day after day just to save money. We keep on making excuses for our selves. "Well, the prices at Primo's are too rich for my blood," or "It just tastes good, I can't explain it."

All of these studies made by

these doctors are useless. They still have yet to invent a pill that can drastically reduce weight loss without having certain eventual near death side effects.

There are, however, a couple of suggestions that I have: (keep in mind that this is only *my* opinion) If you find yourself coming home from class, day after day, and making phone calls to Domino's and ordering everything on the menu, stop, drop the food, roll it up into a napkin and throw it out.

I am not a scientist. I am not a leader of a binge eating study. I am a college student who has friends with eating disorders. I believe that the only way to solve this is to have some willpower. It is okay to treat yourself to a burger, fries and a gelati from Rita's.

There is nothing wrong with that. If you find that willpower is not enough then it is time to seek some outside help. There is nothing wrong with that either.

Other might believe that willpower cannot be considered the optimal solution to this dilemma. Dr. Fritz Horber, the leader of the binge-eating study at the Hirslanden Clinic in Zurich, Switzerland believes this.

"Willpower is not always important to reduce weight. Some people can by willpower. Some cannot, and I think these patients have a hard time," said Horber.

Dr. Horber may be right, or he may be crazy. Only you know what is right for you. No one else can make that kind of decision. To your own selves be true or suffer the consequences.

could not help it, you might have been right.

What about that trip to the super market where you had to stop by the frozen food section to pick up your ham and cheese Lean Pockets? You stopped right in the middle of the aisle and realized what you were doing.

You wanted to pick up another package of them because you knew that you were starving and you wanted to go home right away and immerse yourself in the tasty goodness of these fat and salt loaded morsels. But one wasn't enough. You couldn't stop eating.

You were worried about the grade that you would receive on that exam you didn't study for the day before or that group project that was due in a week. Your mind wandered and it was impossible for you to stop eating. Hey, at least it was better than thinking. You ate because you were unhappy and you were unhappy because you ate. It was a vicious cycle.

Don't worry guys and girls. You

Take a stand against poverty

BY TARA CATANZARITI
STAFF WRITER

Every week I open *The Greyhound* to find at least one article that makes my blood pressure skyrocket. Last week, I nearly had a stroke. Matt Festa's article, which pinned conservatives against liberals, embodied most everything I find problematic with politics.

Festa aimed to educate us all on conservative thought, and to disprove an alumni's letter to the editor that he felt was "bigoted and prejudiced against conservatives." He admits that it is easy to insult someone you disagree with and that you look ignorant when you do not attempt to understand the opposing viewpoints. Two important claims, if only he had not been so hypocritical.

Many people here have opposing viewpoints. Great. If everyone always agreed, life would be boring. The problem is the disrespect that occurs between each side. We saw this a few weeks ago, with the chalk writing in the quad the same day as the pro-war rally. The rally itself resorted to name calling to those who disagreed with its organizers.

While it is respectable to have an opinion you feel so strongly about, it is ridiculous to think that any issue has a clear cut right or wrong answer and egotistical to think that you have it.

His claims about racism are troublesome. We are to believe that conservatives are not racist, they just don't think that "anything a culture produces is equally as valid [another]." OK, then we'll just call you ethnocentric.

What makes America's treatment of women or minorities any better than another country, other than they are more overt in their actions against such subgroups?

While conservatives are supposedly "well aware of health care, education and poverty problems," the question remains how to fix them. I would agree that the real solutions require time, but what is supposed to happen in the meantime?

It is inexcusable that the average age of someone living in poverty is 9, or that one in four homeless persons is a child.

Families with children are among the highest growing segment of the homeless population, which interrupts the children's schooling and will eventually affect their

chances for employment as adults.

A real solution would be to stop cutting taxes for the rich and use that money to build houses for the homeless, fund healthcare for those who cannot currently afford it, or improve schools in impoverished areas that are ill equipped in terms of textbooks, technology and teachers. Or to raise the minimum wage to a living wage so that anyone who works a full time job may be able to afford housing, which sadly is not always the case.

I would love to be able to wait for the "careful thought and patient analysis," but the problems just increase in the meantime. Until a long-term solution is found, it is our responsibility to take part in the short term ones, yet that is often where liberals take the most heat.

According to Festa, "Human beings, conservatives assert, have universal rights that no society can ignore ... [among those] the rights of life, liberty, justice and equality of opportunity." If this is true, it's time for the conservatives to step up.

Rich, white males have had those rights long enough, it's time that they actually become universal.

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SGA not up to par: I have a suggestion or two

Last year, one of the aims of the new constitution was to combine the representatives and senators into one legislative body: the assembly. The assembly was created to eradicate the view that the SGA is more concerned with social programming rather than representing every student.



**Idiotically
Correct**
ALAN DANZIS

Unfortunately, even with the new constitution, we still have that problem. Legislation proposed by newly elected SGA President Myke Sellitto and Vice President Frank Golom that was taken to the assembly last week, however, was a step in the right direction.

There were three main points to the new legislation:

1. The position of director of Transfer Students would be removed from the executive council. This proposal was passed, especially because the current director suggested the position did not justify the workload.

2. The position of director of Multicultural Affairs would be renamed to the director of Diversity. This proposal was passed, but not after a fight from the current director. Even though the title was all that would change, the director was opposed.

Those in favor of the name change pointed to the fact that organizations covered by the director of Multicultural Affairs, such as Spectrum, are not a group promoting a different culture but a group promoting diversity. Also, if the college has someone in charge of diversity (Martha Wharton) why is there not an equal member on the SGA?

The director would still do the same job as before, their name would just be different.

It was simply a PR move, but an important one nonetheless.

3. The director of Commuter Affairs would be removed from the executive council and be replaced with a director of Non-Resident Affairs.

Those in favor of this change, which failed to pass, argued that because the Commuter Student Association (CSA) defines a commuter as someone who lives at least a mile away and if they lived on campus before, have been off for at least two years, the students living at Gallagher and Homeland are not accurately represented. Under this change, both types of commuters would be represented by the director of Non-Resident Affairs.

Those against the change argued that those commuters not covered by the CSA typically meet with a college administrator on a regular basis and that the director of Community Relations is supposed to represent them.

Both arguments, however, are severely flawed. The director of community relations should not voice for those people if they don't live over there and their responsibility to represent those commuters is covered by a by-law that has yet to be enforced. Their main job is to represent all students with the surrounding community.

If the director of Commuter Affairs has to be a commuter, then the director of community relations -- if you're going to force them to represent the remaining non-residents -- must be a non-resident themselves.

Would the CSA want a resident representing them as a director of commuter affairs? Then why should other non-residents be represented by a resident?

That by-law should be removed; instead of having that director burdened with so many jobs, we should expand the other directorship to encompass ALL non-residents.

I understand there's a difference between a frosh commuting from over an hour away

and a senior living in Gallagher, but everyone needs to be represented.

The idea that having a separate director for both types of commuters is not flawed. If the director of multicultural Affairs can represent ALANA, BSA, Spectrum and others, why can't one person represent both types of commuters? And isn't it up to the assembly to pick someone who will represent both groups?

It all comes down to one thing: power. CSA, ecstatic after managing to acquire space in Gardens for their new commuter lounge, doesn't want to lose their power on the SGA.

Why would commuters park all the way over on the East Side and then walk over to the West Side to hang out? Why can't they just hang out in the Reading Room? And most commuters I know don't hang out with commuters; they hang with on-campus residents.

I think the CSA, which gets to help pick the director of Commuter Affairs, is afraid of losing their power. They're afraid of having to share the responsibility to pick the proposed director of Non-Resident Affairs with the people who they don't consider commuters.

When I was on the SGA, I was against the idea of automatically putting directors on the executive council to represent everyone.

I felt it was up to students to pick people that accurately represented them.

I quickly realized that Loyola students don't think like that, and we have to force inclusion to assure proper representation. So while I don't like it, I accept it. And Sellitto and Golom's changes would make this system much more efficient.

So what can you do? If you agree that the director of Commuter Affairs should be dissolved, and the new position of director of Non-Resident Affairs be created, then please e-mail your assembly person and tell them they made a mistake if they voted "no" last Tuesday night.

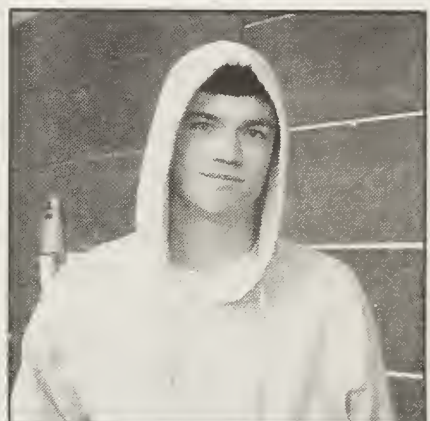
On the Quad

What would you like to see the SGA accomplish next year?



"Someone cool for Loyolapalooza, so maybe I'll come back next year."

Liz Andrews '03
Writing



"More school pride."

Matt McNamee '04
MIS



"No classes before 10 a.m."

Katie Heron '05
Speech Pathology



"Theocracy."

Greg Mellor '05
Philosophy



"A bar on campus."

Kevin Moran '05
Communications

New SGA leaders encourage involvement

By KIM COUGHLIN
STAFF WRITER

I was a cheerleader in high school. I was also on yearbook. I even occasionally showed up to the student council meetings. I did all of these things, not just for college applications, but because I like to be involved.

General involvement is something that I greatly miss here at Loyola. While I have always been the type to participate in school-sponsored events, I get a different feel for those types of events here at Loyola.

This is for a couple of reasons. For one, the turnout is poor. We may go to a small school, but the fact that I've seen larger crowds at little league games than some of our basketball games is just pathetic.

Another thing is that, based on my own observation, most of the people who are at these events are generally involved in the club/group that is sponsoring them.

When people put up those signs that say when these events are it's not for the people who are in the groups. They know when the affairs they organize are going to be held, they want other people who wouldn't normally hear about it to know about it. That's why the signs are there, it's not just to clutter the bridge with flyers.

A little light at the end of the proverbial tunnel here is the recent SGA elections. While I'm not talking about the amount of people who voted (check out our rating in the Princeton Review under "Election? What election?"), I'm talking about who was elected.

I was psyched to hear that Myke Sellitto

and Frank Golom won. To be honest, I don't really know what their platform was because I voted for them for a different reason: they know how to get people involved.

Myke constantly surprises the junior class with his crazy ideas and although we sometimes want to shake him and ask him what he's thinking (especially when it comes to color choice on *anything!*), we can rest easy knowing that he's good at what he does.

I wasn't a big fan of Myke when I first met him and he knows this. However, instead of letting that keep me from going to events, I chose to get involved and I'm happy I did. He's even grown on me a bit and, dare I say it: become a friend.

Then there's Frank. I don't know if you were at any of the events for Spectrum's Sexual Diversity Awareness Week, but if you weren't, you seriously missed out. I was only able to attend two of them, but they were both awesome.

The panel that spoke on Tuesday of that week on "Being Gay in Non-Gay Places" was phenomenal. They were funnier than most episodes of "Whose Line is it Anyway?" that I've seen, but still managed to get across some serious messages and excellent points.

One of the best parts of it though, was that it was held in one of the lecture rooms in the basement of Knott Hall and it was standing room only. Plus the people there weren't just Spectrum members and kids who were there for class. I know of several people (myself included) who just heard about it and went of their own free will.

This is what I'm talking about when I say

that I see hope for the future of school sponsored events with these two students heading things up next year. They are both passionate and inspired about what they do and I find their attitudes contagious.

This is probably the only time in your life when you will be exposed to so many different opportunities and before you know it, it's going to be over, so take advantage while you can.

I'm not saying you have to like everyone at the events you go to, but would you not go to a really great party just because you didn't like a few of the kids who were going to be there? Try and keep that in mind the next time you're casually glancing at the signs on the bridge while avoiding eye contact with someone you think you talked to last Friday.

We have some great leaders who are ready to bust their butts for us next year, so do them a favor and actually attend some events on campus. Who knows, you may even enjoy yourself.

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something to
say?**

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Put down your flag ...

By JUSTIN BECK
SPECIAL TO THE GREYHOUND

What kind of school holds a pro-war rally? Did Stephan Yen and his Loyola College Young Republicans actually mean to suggest that it is in anyway meaningful to hold a pro-establishment rally? A pro-war rally is about as useful on this conservative campus as a tricycle in a hot air balloon.

I contend that students who support America's war in Iraq are the same people who have U.S. flag bumper stickers on their cars and tied yellow ribbons around trees during the first Gulf War. These are meaningless, or at least inferior signs of support, if college aged students believe America's war in Iraq is not only justified, but so important that they would hold a pro-war rally, then I have just one request of you ... please join the army today. Of course none of Loyola's Young Republicans will. You all have great hope for your future as a lawyer, doctor or young entrepreneur. Yet, at the same time you are all too eager to wave your American flag in the face of everyone that prefers peace and caution when risking the lives of our soldiers and foreigners.

The fact is the United States destroyed more of Saddam Hussein's "weapons of mass destruction" in the 12 years of U.N. inspections than we did during the six week Gulf War. Why go into Iraq when diplomatic means were working to even the smallest extent. I'll admit they were not

working perfectly, but I would argue they were working profoundly better than today when U.S. soldiers are dead.

People like Stephan Yen like to act like people that are against war are against our soldiers. Nothing could be farther from the truth. My cousin is a major in the Marines, my hopes and prayers are with him every day to be safe and successful in his mission. But at the same time civilians are not soldiers, and as a civilian I have the right to question every step my government takes. That right is what my cousin joined the Marines to protect. When civilians don't question their government they are giving them a moral mandate every time they want to pick up a gun and fight somewhere on the globe. Questioning and discourse are what define democracy and liberty, not waving a flag. I encourage all Loyola students to take a step back and realize what they are defending and what they are promoting. I support our soldiers, as well as my right to question every mission they are given. So Loyola's Young Republicans, put down your flags and buttons, and join up to fight for this cause that means so much to you, otherwise try to remember if we want to be a nation that stands for great things than we must be a nation that fights for worthwhile causes. Only after great contemplation and *debate* where both sides are given an equal voice do we have something worth dying for.

Child of media speaks his mind

By TOM KOPF
SPECIAL TO THE GREYHOUND

I am a child of the media.

Sure, my parents raised me with loving vigilance. My mother was my guide and supervisor throughout my childhood, instructing me in my endeavors and chiding me for my failures (she still maintains this duty, albeit in a more distant capacity). My father is a moral paragon, a model of decency and self-sacrifice to whom I can only hope to live up. Their encouragement and ideals will forever remain a defining part of what I am and who I become.

Yet I and many others were also nurtured by a third parent, a faceless but influential entity whose powers to educate and mislead often go hand in hand.

Media is its name. It approaches from all sides at once--personal, cultural, physical and emotional. The Media convert from without, educating with news reports and factual accounts of real-life events. But the Media also subvert from within, instilling beliefs and values that few realize are not of their own creation.

Yes, Media *can* and *does* educate. I have learned too much from nonpartisan newspapers and the History Channel to ever argue such an immutable truth. But what kind of education is founded on vague conjecture and vainglorious nationalism?

Think about it next time you turn

on your television. Ever since the United States and its allies spat in the proverbial face of the international community by invading Iraq without the consent of the United Nations, all one ever sees on news broadcasts are the play-by-plays of ill/un-informed war correspondents and "straight-news" commentators.

I weep for my generation, exposed not to the horrors of war but to the irreverence of imbeciles. The epitome of tastelessness, FOX News went so far as sketch out U.S. troop movements on a digital map of Iraq with John Madden-esque abandon.

Never before has war been so up-close and impersonal.

It is crisis on demand, with televisions all-too eagerly exhibiting the faraway images of bombs and Baghdad, "Shock and Awe" has become little more than a catchphrase to be bandied about by political analytics, cold and ignorant to the plight of a people oppressed by their leadership and bombed by their liberators.

Biblical connotations of

unparalleled destruction lost, the meaning of "Shock and Awe" is replaced instead by thoughts of jingoistic glory and of American "justice."

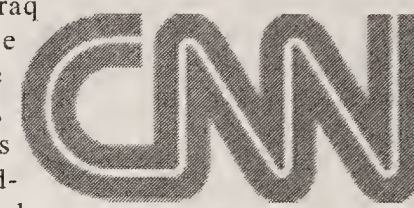
Do not hate me for expressing my opinion. As problem-ridden as it may be, I believe in my, sorry our, government. I believe that Saddam Hussein should be deposed and the Iraqi people given a benevolent form of government.

Regardless of my faith in democracy I cannot condone the spectacle, the irreverent *game*, this second Gulf War has become. Has everyone gone mad? Has the fever of conflict overtaken their mental faculties?

It appears so, especially when I turn on the TV.

Still, I hope that one day that we, the American people, will break free of the mind-less nationalism and self-imposed ignorance that currently have us enslaved. That personal experiences and moral values will dictate our actions rather than economic necessity and self-centered ambition.

With any and all hope, I will live long enough to see such ideals come to fruition.



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Understanding the last recession

BY MATT FESTA
STAFF WRITER

Everyone here is worried about the economy. Almost every issue of *The Greyhound* contains a sentence or two about the "weak economy" or "looming budget deficits." I share these concerns. As an economics major though, I thought an article on just how this latest recession happened and what exactly we should (or should not) be doing about it was needed.

Basic macroeconomic theory says there are four main components of GDP: consumption, investment, government spending and net exports. Consumption is purchases consumers and businesses make. One buys a TV, a computer, food, clothing and various other items. All of this falls under consumption. Investment is when businesses and individuals invest their money in projects or businesses instead of consuming. This is vitally important to long term economic growth. Government spending is a little tricky to understand. It has nothing to do with transfer payments (taxing one person to give to another) but with actual purchases that the govern-

ment makes (i.e. a new fighter jet). The last one, net exports is simply how much trade surplus/deficit we have with the world. This is not important to understanding this latest recession.

Each recession is unique but economists have formed a consensus that this current recession is due to a fall off in investment. During the boom years of the 1990s, many people invested in internet companies. This huge capital investment fueled the high GDP growth throughout it. However, a lot of this was bad investment. People invested in companies thinking the internet would be the new economy. Profits never materialized. Remember *priceline.com*, *pets.com*, or *shoes.com*? The money people invested in these companies was lost because they never turned a profit. So at the end of the decade, the stock market collapsed. People became weary of investing so investment fell.

It is deceitful to blame this recession on either President Bush or President Clinton. This recession was due to the fact that investors made poor choices and they were made to pay for those

poor choices. I would also like to mention two other secondary causes that had an impact. The events of Sept. 11 did not help investment and neither did the corporate scandals of Enron and Global Crossing. All of this made investors wary of investing.

But not all is bad news. By all standards, this recession was pretty light. We had three quarters of negative growth (all of them slight). Currently, in the fourth quarter of last year, GDP grew at 1.4 percent and investment was actually positive.

"So what should we do about it Festa? I am going into the job market soon and I need a job. Help!" There are two main schools of thought that are talked about among economists. On one side of the debate we have the Keynesians. The Keynesians believe that short term stimulus plans are necessary to bring an economy out of recession. They advocate increased government spending, tax cuts and easy monetary policy from the Federal Reserve to help alleviate the recession. Some of President Bush's tax cut plan (though not all) uses this theory.

Keynesian economics came about during the Great Depression when many people felt that market economics had failed. Keynesian economics, however, is not without its own flaws. The first one is a practical problem. How much stimulus is needed? How much should the tax cuts and increased government spending be? By the time actual stimulus is passed, it is too much and too late. The economy has started moving back to equilibrium. Also, we must note that politicians, like businesses, have their own self interest in mind.

Grin and bear it by Jean Spindler (via U-wire)



They are not saints and tend to fill up these bills with their own pork barrel projects that have little to nothing to do with economic stimulus. For example; the University of Dartmouth recently received \$120 million to build an "information building" because their senator promised to "bring money back to New Hampshire."

All of this brings us to the other group of economists called the Classical economists. Classicals tend to have their own disagreements but for the most part agree on a lot of things. They believe that short term stimulus only leads to problems in the medium to long run. Some classicals, such as Greenspan, believe that the Fed should be the only one concerned with short term stimulus plans. The Fed is independent of the political process and can move quickly with interest rate cuts and then move quickly in the other direction when it merits.

Classicals believe in long term tax cuts and decreases in government spending because that leaves more money for investment projects for long term growth. Classical economists

believe that instead of fixating our minds on the short run, we should look towards improving the economy in the long run. Some of President Bush's economic growth plan uses this theory.

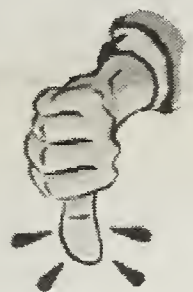
The moral of the story is that economies always have recessions. This is just one of many that we have had since the founding of the republic. Keep in mind that thanks to advancements in economic theory, these recessions are much lighter than the ones our parents and grandparents saw. Our parents lived through the 1970s when oil shocks forced stagflation. This is a period of simultaneous high unemployment (around 10 percent in some years) and high inflation (also 10 percent in some years).

Whether you agree with the Keynesians of the Classicals, one should not worry too much about the long term potential for the economy. We all have the skills to find well paying jobs eventually. Whether or not this process begins in May when some of you graduate or next May after stressful year-long search, it will begin.

Thumbs

BY RON GIDDINGS
STAFF WRITER

Wings at Boulder -- I suppose in competition with Tyrone's Boulder has changed the recipe for their hot wings, now better than ever. Let's hear it for BGC, what it lacks in atmosphere it makes up in safety. These wings are good for parties, funerals, weddings, etc.



March Madness -- Basketball games put the war on hold. The War in Iraq has been preempted by this nail-biting tournament. Incredible match-ups have everyone watching the games. I don't know about you but I'm only interested because I've got money on the games. Go Marquette ... Papa needs a brand new pair of sneakers.

Manure Fertilizer -- Primo's smells like crap. And it's not the fault of the cooks. Fertilizer for the spring flowers was placed up wind and now when the wind blows, I'm taken back to my days as a young cowboy roping broncos. Was this a publicity stunt because the rodeo was in town? Why wasn't that on Late Night?

Broken Dryers -- It seems that across campus, dryers are broken in every building. There is already a mass shortage of dryers and now they are breaking and not being repaired. For four years, the same dryers have been in these buildings under heavy, almost constant, use. Everyone on campus benefits from dryers, so why not send some money that way?

Snow on Sunday -- SNOW! One day it's 60 degrees, then below freezing and snowing. Thought we would miss school on Monday the way it was coming down. What a freaky gift ... or is it a warning? Isn't this what happens right before the apocalypse? Start buying duct tape.

Maryland Day Banners -- Finally the school has replaced the Sesquicentennial Banners on the lampposts. They had been hanging for too long flopping in the wind. The new banners really look nice, but I wonder if they will stay up until next Maryland Day too.

Fire Alarms in Newman -- It seems like every time I went to Primo's last week there was a fire alarm going off. What's going on over there? It wasn't even late at night when drunken students pull them. This was people legitimately setting them off. Were you distracted by "The Bachelorette" while fixing your Ramen? Give me a break! Are you going to burn down your house off campus next year, you stoners!?



Shark attacks not just in New Jersey

BY CHARLES DUVA
SPECIAL TO THE GREYHOUND

Let's go surfing now, everybody's learning how ... I forget the part at which the bull shark bites down into my thigh. Between reality television, Animal Planet and other "when animals attack exclusives," it's no wonder that so many of us have come to develop phobias about such creatures.

However, these displays are not aired without good reason. In the past several years, animal attacks and especially shark attack numbers have risen noticeably. Many of which have happened on the East Coast in regions such as Virginia Beach, Maryland and all the way down past the Carolinas.

I ask myself why organizations like the World Wildlife Fund and the Discovery Channel wish to strike fear into the hearts of so many beach dwellers. Is it true that what we know can't hurt us?

Unfortunately, that is the mentality of the many ocean swimmers and surfers who are attacked by sharks each year. Their activities are subject to inlets and coastal waters that often seem attractive to sharks. In almost all incidents sharks attack out of mistaken identity. These are the

cases you hear about. These are the cases that drive myself and many other skeptics from where the waves crash.

In reality you have a better chance of getting mauled by a hamster than you do of getting attacked by a shark. Large sharks do not dwell close to shore for two reasons: there is an absence of large prey, and they are more buoyant and move quicker in deep water. These sharks are attracted by dead whales or dolphins that come too close to shore. Contrary to popular belief, sharks do not like the taste of Loyola students or any humans in fact. Fast, jerky movements do attract smaller sharks however. The bull shark was considered to be one of the five deadliest sharks in the world by Shark Gordon, Animal Planet personality. These are the sharks that make the headlines.

In fact they are found all along the East Coast, and beyond. These versatile animals are born in freshwater tributaries, which give them an uncanny advantage--they can remain in fresh water for lengthy periods of time.

There have been sightings of these sharks in the Mississippi, hundred of miles upstream. A bull shark was also responsible for attacking and killing a boy in the

early part of the 20th Century that later sparked Peter Benchly to write *Jaws*.

What is our obsession with making these fascinating creatures out to be one of the supreme evils of the animal kingdom? Why do we watch movies and TV shows that make us think twice to stand in the knee deep water of the Jersey Shore?

No matter what body of water I am in from the FAC pool to the Caribbean Sea, that classic background music seems to swim its way into my consciousness, paralyzing me with fear. But do we refrain from going outside in fear of bees, snakes or spiders? You can't have an allergic reaction to sharks, so that's no excuse. Our responsibility lies in becoming educated about these creatures and learning to respect them.

We must also realize that when we step into the tide, we step into their kingdom, and into their food chain. "Don't move," or the classic "punch it in the nose," came up from almost everyone I asked on what they would do if attacked.

As for me I am getting the heck out of the water unless I have a claymore or some mutant power that allows me to turn into a bigger shark and eat the one in front of me.

Opposing war supports soldiers

The entire conflict in Iraq has left me feeling solemn and disappointed. The non-stop television coverage and the endless debates over the matter have reached the saturation point, and I can hardly bring myself to read or watch anything having to do with the war. Unfortunately, curiosity got the best of me and I picked up the latest edition of *The Greyhound*. Unfortunately, I also wasted my time reading "The time to protest is officially over." As one of the less vocal members of the peace argument, I decided to break my silence and just take the time to quote some things from the article and explain why I disagree with what Mr. Danzis said.

"The time for protest is over."

The time to protest is never over. Last time I checked, this country was "for the people, and by the people." If there are those among us who do not agree with this conflict, we have the right to voice our opinion, it is our government as well. Before, the administration was dedicated; it is obvious now that protesters were not going to stop the plans of the administration.

However, every day that this war continues, the administration needs to consider the loss of our troops and the dissent among the people that occurs at home.

I say this to all those that are undecided or uninformed. Please inform yourselves quickly, and show your support, regardless of

what your opinion is.

"Just because you have a right, doesn't mean you have to assert it."

True. However, that does not give you the right to tell anyone

behind its president and its troops?"

I'm not sure why this is written about again and again by supporters of the war. In a letter published in Issue 14 of *The Greyhound* Dave Sabol wrote that:

"To be in opposition of an armed conflict does not imply a lack of support for our troops. Indeed, it involves an intense desire to protect them

from unnecessary risks in a foolish, unsubstantiated, and deadly conflict."

This was almost two months ago. Please stop complaining that we do not support the troops of the United States military. It is our responsibility as citizens of this country to voice our opinion and at least prove to those that accuse us of "war mongering" that we aren't a country of Texans with inferiority complexes.

The polls in last week's edition of *The Greyhound* are irrefutable proof that there are many people who are undecided or indifferent. My point is that protests (of either type) show people that may be undecided that there are others out there like them. It is okay to protest, it is our right, and it is our duty as citizens of this country. If you are undecided, you need to make up your mind quick, because as a wise professor of mine said "If you aren't against them, you're with them."

Daniel Smith
Class of '03

Letters to the Editor

that they cannot assert their rights. The problem is, many people resort to criticizing the opinions of others. Everyone has the right to say what they believe in, don't criticize that, but feel free to support your opinion.

The thing that bothers me the most about most war supporters is that they frequently stereotype the anti-war side as unrealistic, detached, and sometimes unintelligent. There are many of us who are informed and aware of everything in this article that was supposed to negate the opinions of the anti-war community. We love our country, we hate terrorism, we support our troops, but we want to stop the circle of violence that perpetrates war, death and terrorism. There are those of us who are tired of living in a violent world where peace is garnered by death and destruction.

"Why can't you sit down? You want to protest, fine, do it among your friends. But can't we show a united front to the world? Can't we show France and Russia and Germany that America is united

Overgeneralization flaws

Our Statistical Methods and Data Analysis class recently read the "Poll: Loyola Split on U.S. involvement in Iraq" article in your March 25, 2003 issue.

According to Ms. Tiernan, "A *Greyhound* poll found that 50 percent of the student body supports the war in Iraq while 50 percent would not if it included sending in hundreds of thousands of U.S. troops."

This statement incorrectly generalizes the results of the poll to the entire student body. A voluntary response poll can not be expected to fully represent the

entire population of interest. Most often when there is a voluntary response poll the people who feel strongly against the topic are more likely to respond.

Think about it. How would you react? So we do in fact feel that the Loyola population has been misrepresented.

Although the data is valid for a voluntary response poll, it can not be generalized to reflect the opinions of the entire campus.

Liz Wolf '06
Kristen Gormen '06
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Voluntary sampling leads to biased poll

In last week's edition of *The Greyhound*, there was a glaring error in the interpretation of the results of the poll on feelings of U.S. involvement in Iraq. The article, written by Katherine Tiernan, stated that "50 percent of the student body supports the war in Iraq while 50 percent would not if it included sending in hundreds of thousands of U.S. troops". The response of the poll was voluntary. Voluntary response breeds bias in statistical results. It is a well known fact in statistics that people who have a negative attitude towards the topic are more likely to respond to the poll than those who feel positively towards the issue. Therefore, we can not expect that the results from the poll reflect the opinions of the student body as a whole. Ms. Tiernan should not have generalized the results from the students polled to the entire student body. If Ms. Tiernan would like to conduct a poll in which she could generalize to the entire student body, she should use a random sampling process to select poll respondents

Courtney Dowdell '06
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Take a stats class: Poll angers math wiz

In reference to "Poll: Loyola Split on U.S. involvement in Iraq" (March 25, 2003):

While I applaud Ms. Tiernan's efforts to present an unbiased report on student attitudes towards war by interviewing representatives from both "sides" of the issue, I am quite dismayed by her misleading (and incorrect) interpretation of the poll results.

I will not comment on the biased wording of the poll questions, as Colleen Dowd effectively addressed this in her letter to the editor last week (page 9). Rather, I would like to address the issue of sampling.

It is my understanding that the poll was conducted on Blackboard using a voluntary response sampling process (meaning that

the sample was composed of those students who voluntarily chose to take the time/effort to log on to Blackboard and record their responses to the poll questions). That is, the students "self-selected" into the sample.

As any student who has taken an introductory statistics course should know, a voluntary response polling technique invites a large probability of bias in the sample, meaning that some portion(s) of the population of interest (the student body, in this case) are over- or under-represented in the sample. Individuals who select them-selves to be in a voluntary response sample tend to be those who feel strongly about the issue. Those who are not as passionate, one way or the other, about the

From the Desk of the SGA President

In honor of April Fools day and the proximity of the end of my term as SGA president, I have to say I don't want to hear some of your voices anymore. I'm figuring, sure, I only have two more months as SGA president to "let [all] your voice[s] be heard," but frankly, at this time of war, I feel frightened by many of your voices. Mainly, I am appalled by the name-calling, the wanton blows and the conservative backlash at student and alumni "liberals" written by students in last week's opinion section of *The Greyhound*. A year ago, I pledged to listen to all of your concerns so that I can represent this institution to others. I would like to say to the opinion writers of whom I write specifically, I hope you realize you've lost your clout; I'm not willing to be numb. I simply cannot listen to you anymore.

Never have I been more enraged and felt more ashamed by the words and sentiments written by my fellow students in any section of this publication. Is it my job to ask, who are you? Where the heck did you come from? If nothing more than to remind you, again, that the world is not only the United States or Long Island, I hope you realize where you are -- a Catholic, Jesuit institution that encourages free thought, diversity of opinion, the pursuit of academic excellence, integrity and justice (just like the country we live in is required to do).

I sincerely hope "the people in the streets of Baghdad" will not be "cheering, 'U-S-A, U-S-A, U-S-A!'" in a few months -- or years. Why would we want them to? They are Iraqi. They should retain their own culture and nation. Wouldn't we prefer them to be cheering "Iraq?" Surely, you wouldn't suggest that you want Iraqis to actually follow our soldiers home on ships to the United States, right?

Please tell me it's April fools; please tell me your sentiments are all a joke so I can sleep soundly again at night.

To those of you who write that you don't agree with the acts of war protesters, that's fine with me. You don't have to agree with them. However, you do have to respect them and refrain from calling them names. Why? Because the United States is complex: We are the land of the free. We are open to all. We respect the man who is our ideological opposite because it is a far better thing for citizens of this nation to protect our freedoms than to restrict them. The symbols of our nation are pride and protest, flags and burning flags, peace signs and guns. Just because we're at war doesn't mean American freedom should fall by the wayside.

But one more thing, my fellow socially and politically Jesuit educated students, above all other worldly things, war is the promoter of death and poverty. War is actually equated to death and poverty. Some have regarded that conservatives greatly respect religious authority, and in typical times, I don't doubt that. However, during times of war, I'd recommend some of you connect with a few Jesuits on campus; maybe even check into what that Pope guy has to say about this war. I think we could all agree that religious institutions help to teach universal truth and prepare people to be respectful, worthy citizens -- but maybe we can wait until next week to define what a worthy citizen is. I suspect my definition and yours will be a little different.

"Letting my voice be heard."



Erin O'Keefe '03
SGA President

issue tend to be under-represented. What's more, persons with strong negative feelings are more likely to respond than persons with strong positive views.

Thus, voluntary response samples typically over-represent the portion of the population who feel negatively about the issue at hand. Given these likely biases, the results from a voluntary response poll are not trustworthy and can not be expected to accurately reflect the opinions of the entire population.

Ms. Tiernan seemingly ignored this concern and recklessly generalized the poll results to the entire student body as if the sample respondents did in fact reflect the makeup of the student

body ("A *Greyhound* poll found that 50 percent of the student body supports the war in Iraq while 50 percent would not..."). Considering that this voluntary response sample likely over-represents those opposing war, a more accurate conclusion based on this data might be that well under half of the student body opposes the war. (And remember, this does not even take into account the biased wording of the questions!)

I am saddened to learn that Ms. Tiernan is a senior and will be graduating this May, as it appears she could greatly benefit from an introductory statistics course before leaving Loyola!

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Bands battle for the chance to open for Jurassic 5 *Loyola bands showcase considerable talent in college's first Battle of the Bands*

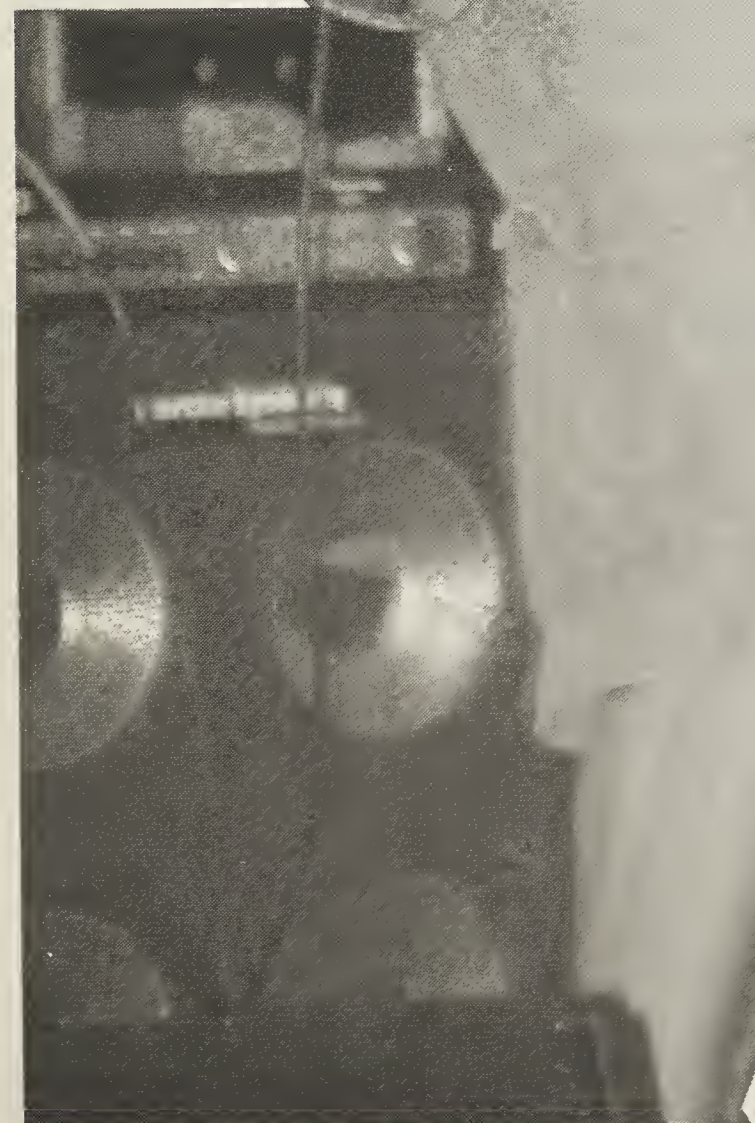
BY KAREN RIVERS
SPECIAL TO THE GREYHOUND

There was a jam session, there was punk, there was rock and pop- there was a song about the trauma of waking up to your roommate's booty call. There was a group sporting euro-trash gear and fake accents. There was a lot of testosterone driven songs, but there were also some stellar guest vocals by a couple of gorgeous girls.

All in all, the Battle of the Bands was quite a show, making it clear that Loyola has some diverse musical talent.

KATHERINE TIERNAN/
GREYHOUND

Sophomore Nic Scott performed original songs with his band Bosses Brave.



and a good sense of humor.

Between eight and eleven last Friday, almost 300 students gave up pre-gaming for York Road and dedicated a few hours to music and charity instead.

A Battle of the Bands raged in McGuire Hall, with all profit going to a memorial fund benefiting the family of late campus police officer James Jackson.

Adding a touch of excitement, the top three bands - which turned out to be White Russian, Bosses Brave, and Side Project - earned a space opening for Jurassic 5 at this year's Loyolapalooza.

While upperclassmen are surely familiar with well-established Loyola favorites White Russian and Side Project, the event proved that there are plenty of other talented musicians gracing the campus, and that this year's graduation won't leave the college

without a musical voice.

The second place winners, Bosses Brave, are just sophomores, and another sophomore band, Royal Crush, received a great reception for an original piece entitled "Roommate's Booty Call," which the group explained is about a universal experience that is "a grim college reality."

Also receiving a chorus of screams and cheers was Super Group, a recently formed quartet of talented seniors who took to the stage with mysterious European accents, funky blazers, and the aliases Leopold, Cristoph, Al-mond, and Berthold.

In addition, Junior Dan Ferrari showed off his song-writing skills with a few original numbers.

The judging was based on a point scale, with 250 as the highest possible score. The contest was apparently a close call, with the top

four bands all scoring over 235 points. White Russian edged out the competition with a flawless jam session including such favorites as the Talking Heads' *Burning Down the House* and Phish's version of the theme from *2001: A Space Odyssey*.

Musicians Joe Esposito, Matt Finn, Mike Bonner and Mike Sullivan earned their victory through pure talent and energy.

With clearly the largest following of the night, the group sent the house rocking and dancing throughout their set.

But White Russian weren't the only ones to get the crowd going. Two highlights of the night were guest appearances by a couple of talented female singers.

Super Group featured senior Annie Cassidy who gave a diva-worthy performance of "I Will Survive," to wild screams and an enthusiastic sing-along from the audience. Side Project brought out freshman Vanessa

this is a good way to get some notoriety."

Clearly, the night had a wide range of sound and some wild personalities.

While Royal Crush sat down to play cards in the middle of their drummer's solo and Super Group guitarist Kevin Hattrup commanded the audience to dance in some sort of eastern European tongue, the night had its serious moments as well.

Royal Crush dedicated its song "Staying Safe Tonight" to the soldiers in Iraq, and Dan Ferrari reminded the crowd that the evening's events were all done in the memory of Officer Jackson.

In terms of profit, the night was a big payoff. By the end, more than \$1400 had been earned for the memorial fund. This was a great

success for Loyola's first ever Battle of the Bands.

The event was organized by Andy Kearney, and there was such a response to the idea that try-outs had to be held in order to limit the number of bands.

Andy, himself a talented musician, said, "We did the event because there is so much on-campus talent that no one knows about. Even narrowing the bands down to the six that played last night was a hard decision."

With the way things went on Friday, one can hope that there will be more events in the future to showcase Loyola's musical abilities.

Clemente, who gave an

equally impressive, hard-core rendition of a song off the "Josie and the Pussycats" soundtrack.

Other bands moved away from well-known favorites, and took advantage of the event to establish their own work. Bosses Brave did an entire set of original songs. About their second place win, guitarist and singer Nic Scott said, "We're excited about being able to play at Loyolapalooza. We're a new band on campus and



KATHERINE TIERNAN/GREYHOUND

Supergroup's lead singer entertains the crowd at Friday night's Battle of the Bands in McGuire Hall.



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 "Redneck" comic Jeff Foxworthy headlines the *Blue Collar Comedy Tour*, one of the year's funniest movies.

Blue Collar Comedy funniest film to date

In the last two years, there's been a huge wave of comedy tour footage turned into major motion pictures, most of which have been wildly popular. The most recent of these, *Blue Collar Comedy Tour: The Movie*, is possibly the funniest movie released this year.



Blue Collar Comedy Tour features four

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incredibly funny, southern, blue collar comedians: Ron White, Larry the Cable Guy, Bill Engvall and Jeff Foxworthy. Jeff Foxworthy, of "you might be a redneck" fame, is pretty much the headliner, despite the comedians being billed as an ensemble. The tour itself began two and a half years ago, and has since grossed over 12 million dollars, and played to sold-out audiences in over 53 cities. In November of 2001, they released a live recording of the tour, which became a best-selling record.

Foxworthy may be the best-known name on the list, but the other three more than pull their weight alongside the comic genius.

Ron White, frequent emcee at the famous Caroline's Comedy Club in New York, opens the show with a glass of scotch in one hand. You may have seen the comedian on Comedy Central's *Premium Blend*, and if you haven't it's a damn shame. The long-time performer has a biting wit that coupled with his drunk barfly appearance have you on the edge of your seat waiting for the next outrageous statement to come out of his mouth. The *Chattanooga Times and Free Press* say he stole the show. I think this is overstatement for the particular performance captured on film, but he was absolutely hysterical.

Larry the Cable Guy's southern/hick accent may have been a tad bit overdone and a little bit put on, but the way he weaves words into the contrived speech patterns is gut-bustingly funny. I enjoyed his performance, but I still have no idea why they call him "the cable guy." Bill Engvall's performance was a very close second to Foxworthy's. He's also a close second to Foxworthy in notoriety. His first comedy album was the

best selling record of 1997. His "here's your sign" routine at times even surpasses Foxworthy's "you might be a redneck" routine, as his jokes deal with universal stupidity that anyone can relate to.

In the beginning of the film, between the comedians' sets, and during the credits, the film shows behind the scenes antics. You have David Alan Grier getting them all

pimped out, antics with the poor clerks at Victoria's Secret and Spencer Gifts, in some suburban mall, and the unending humor of a remote control fart

machine. After Foxworthy's set, all four comedians come back out on stage to do a real ensemble story-telling segment, that at times threatened to overshadow the individual sets completely.

The film is incredibly well put-together. Filmed live events such as these in the past were almost unbearable to watch; the quality of the footage was as good as anything I personally could record with a smuggles camcorder.

Director C.B. Harding does an excellent job of getting showing different angles without distorting the footage at or, and, perhaps best of all, no shots where the camera man could not follow the performers' unexpected moves. Given that Harding was a director for such reality-tv series as *Tough Enough*, *The Osbournes* and *Making the Band*, this comes as no surprise. He has the perfect resume for this kind of assignment.

Blue Collar Comedy Tour: The Movie is a must-see for everybody. Even if you think Jeff Foxworthy's redneck jokes get old after awhile, there is so much more to the film than that. Finals weeks may be a month away, but the stress levels are piling up. There is nothing like laughing so hard you wet your pants to relieve the stress and forget the 10,000 other things you should be doing than going to the movies. Find two hours and treat yourself to a laugh-til-you-die experience. Trust me, this is a film not to be missed.

Rated: PG-13 for crude and sex-related humor

Starring: Jeff Foxworthy, Bill Engvall, Ron White

The Greyhound says:



Longwave's golden moment upon us

BY KEVIN HATTRUP
 MUSIC CRITIC

The wonder of a first time listen is a glorious thing. That moment when a guitar seduces, a bass line deceptively creeps in the background, a sudden orgasmic rush of chorus-es seemingly plucked from spheres themselves.

Rock breeds these moments, these hints of genius behind abandon, that rattling click before the chorus of Radiohead's "Creep," the bewilderment of The Beatles' "Tomorrow Never Knows," the slicing sonic violence of a Hendrix riff in summer; to hear these moments for the first time again forces pop music to redefine itself, to rework a cliché, to hide the addictive magic in three chords.

Longwave, a young foursome, capture the impossible emotion and familiarity of every truly charismatic song on *The Strangest Things*. Intangible to a certain degree, Longwave's spacey, driving guitar sound rests upon the shoulders of lead singer Steve Schiltz's acute songs, each of which present tuneful melodies and earnestly everyman lyrics.

Longwave's songs bounce between youthful angst: *when all your strength is wearing thin/ hanging on until the end/ I can't give you what you're looking for*; and confident wonderlust:

everywhere you turn there's always something else/ I don't know why I get so crazy. With lyrical starkness, the band conveys heartfelt conviction without pandering to simple sentiment.

While many of the songs approach a more contemplative,

early U2 (think Joshua Tree optimism minus the politics and brogues).

While much of the guitar work borrows from more cinematic Brit rock stylings, such as Bends era Radiohead or more closely Doves, the melodies are pure defiant beauty. Singer Steve Schiltz sounds elated on the direst of tracks, mining for tender of vocal turns and wrangling meditative verses into joyous choruses.

"Everywhere You Turn," possibly the most resilient foot-stomper of the year, beams with a nostalgia of early 80s, a respectful nod to Mancunian singers of past, compelled mostly by the inertial guitars and simple smooth drum beat. The intricate spirals of Shannon Ferg's son's fret work on "Tidal Wave" buttresses the simple proclamation *I'm every-thing you wanted*.

By the minute and half mark, the first golden moment is upon us as Schiltz's voice finally releases the ballasts and disappears on a weightless falsetto.

Definitely more compelling than anything on radio, Longwave ought to sate anyone that discovered Coldplay. The songs grant the indiscernible perfection of musicians hitting stride; thankfully, *The Strangest Things* arrives just in time to gain some Yankee respect.



PHOTO COURTESY OF RCA RECORDS
 The members of Longwave promote their newest record *The Strangest Things*.

even brooding element, the tempo remains steadfast, persisting to the next majestic chorus.

Between the denim uniforms, their unfettered manes, the wall of guitar crunch and their roots in NYC, most critics toss Longwave into the same categories as fellow newcomers Interpol, The Strokes and The Mooney Suzuki. Unlike Interpol's morose odes to Joy Division, or The Strokes' television inspired romps, Longwave aspires to the post punk/new wave sound, particularly the soaring uppercut of

AFI hits the scene riding a dark horse

BY JASON LAM
 SPECIAL TO THE GREYHOUND

You really can't turn on the radio or the television without hearing the current wave of pop-punk bands that seem to have taken over the airwaves in 2003. With punk bands such as Good Charlotte and Simple Plan leading the way, it is hard to hear any rock music that isn't about ex-girlfriends or teenage heartbreak.

But fear not music fans because all you need is three letters to save you from your stereos: AFI (A Fire Inside).

With their sixth and first major label release, *Sing The Sorrow* (DreamWorks), AFI has arrived on their dark horse to save us from the monotony of teenage mall punk. The simplest metaphor I can think of to describe AFI is if *The Cure* and *The Misfits* produced a child, and he grew up worshipping Edgar Allan Poe and Tim Burton films.

Hailing from Ukiah, California, AFI has been one of the hardest working punk/hardcore bands for over a decade.

They've released five previous albums on Nitro Records, which is owned by Dexter Holland of *The Offspring* fame.

The newest release, *Sing the Sorrow* has been highly anticipated by critics and fans alike. With critically acclaimed releases by bands like Cave In and Jimmy Eat World, it has been a great year

for major label releases by once-independent bands. *Sing the Sorrow* is no exception.

STS ignites with "Misericordia - The Beginning," a moody intro that will probably cause small riots at their already-intense live shows.

The an-them-like chant of **A Fire Inside (AFI) hails from Ukiah, California and has just released *Sing the Sorrow*.**

"Love! Your hate! Your! Faith lost! You! Are now! One! Of us!" is a prime example of how dark and powerful Davey Havok's (lead singer) lyrics can be.

Notable songs such as "Bleed Black" and "Dancing Through Seasons" are reminiscent of that East Bay hardcore sound that they are infamous for. "Girl's Not Grey" is AFI's first single off of the album and is a good melodic introduction to the album and also to the band.

"Death of Seasons" is the climactic peak of *STS*, mixing old school hardcore with, dare I say, new school techno? It is by far the hardest song on the album and AFI even experiments with an amazing industrial-electronic breakdown.

This song contains all the elements that set AFI from the rest of the punk/hardcore genre. From



PHOTO COURTESY OF GAS ENTERTAINMENT

Havok's amazing combination of screaming/singing vocals, to even the cellos, AFI is in a league all of their own.

The album draws to a close with an Elliot Smith-ish, guitar-driven song, appropriately called, "The Leaving Song," and ends with the vein-popping shout-along, "...But Home is Nowhere". It's a 15 minute-long rock ballad that includes spoken word poetry sandwiched in between.

From head to toe, this is the landmark album that will launch AFI into the spotlight like *Bleed American* did for Jimmy Eat World. It's been great to watch AFI grow as I've grown up listening to them.

I'll admit that *Sing The Sorrow* might not be the easiest thing for new listeners to get into, but give it a chance and it will grow on you. All great albums do.

LC urged to Bring America Home at homelessness teach-in

BY BILL SPAGNOLA
STAFF WRITER

Last Thursday, Loyola students went to McGuire in order to see the Bringing America Home Teach-In, in which speakers addressed issues concerning hunger and homelessness. The goal was to motivate students to join a campaign to end homelessness in America.

The speeches mentioned many startling statistics concerning homelessness. Michael Stoops, a community organizer for the National Coalition for the Homeless, said that 25 percent of homeless people are children. Kathleen Barr of the National Student Campaign against Hunger

and Homelessness said that 3.5 million people in this country are homeless and 33 million are hungry.

Adding a personal side to the debate, Cheryl Barnes spoke about her experience being homeless for 30 years of her life. "Homeless is not a joke, it's very devastating," she said.

She followed her life from when she was growing up in a middle-class suburb to when her father abandoned her at age 17. She had developed a drug and alcohol problem at an early age so she had a difficult finding. She ended up homeless in the streets of D.C.

"I slept in alleys, in warehouses. I've slept in every shelter in D.C.," she said. Only after 30 years was of homelessness and the support of the National Coalition for the Homeless (NCH) was she finally able to recover from her addiction and pull herself out of homelessness. She now works as a freelance homeless activist.

Don Whitehead, executive director of the NCH, spoke about legislative proposals that would aid the homeless. Whitehead spoke out of experience having himself been homeless for five years in Cincinnati.

The NCH is currently working on passing an act known as the Bring American Home Act. The bill will be introduced to the 108th

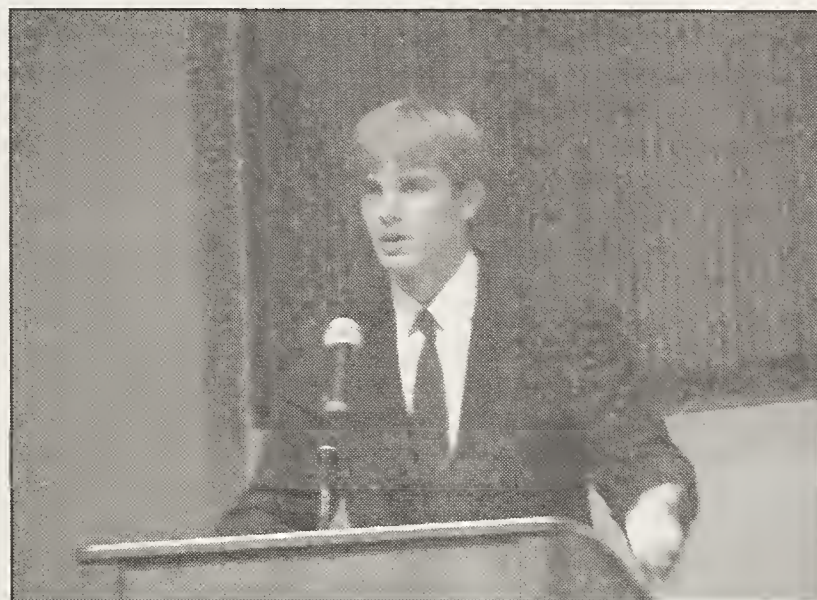
Congress by Rep. Julia Carson (D-IN) and Rep. John Conyers (D-MI). Whitehead called it one of "the most comprehensive pieces of legislation since the New Deal." The rationale behind the legislation is that people need affordable housing, a living wage income and an income if they are unable to work.

The act will include a National Housing Trust Fund to pay for housing for low-income Americans, universal health care coverage and civil rights for the homeless. The act will also reauthorize the Head Start program to ensure homeless children have access to education. "Without education, you have a limited ability for success in this country," said Whitehead.

Joel Segal, who was representing John Conyers, urged students to "challenge your stereotypes about the homeless."

He spoke about how his experience working at housing shelters challenged his stereotypes, especially the myth that the homeless want to be homeless. He said that the majority of people at the shelter wanted to work but were unable to do so either because of lack of education, a mental or physical illness or a past felony. Jobs are also very difficult to find without a social security card. Segal said that "shelters have very few services to help them find jobs."

And even many homeless



NICK ALEXOPULOS/GREYHOUND

Sophomore Neil Mitten addresses the crowd at last week's Bringing America Home Teach-In, an event he had a large part in organizing.

people who were able to find jobs were not able to make enough to afford a house. In fact, 40 percent of homeless people work everyday.

The emphasis of the conference also was on how students could help the homeless and lobby Congress to pass legislation to end homelessness.

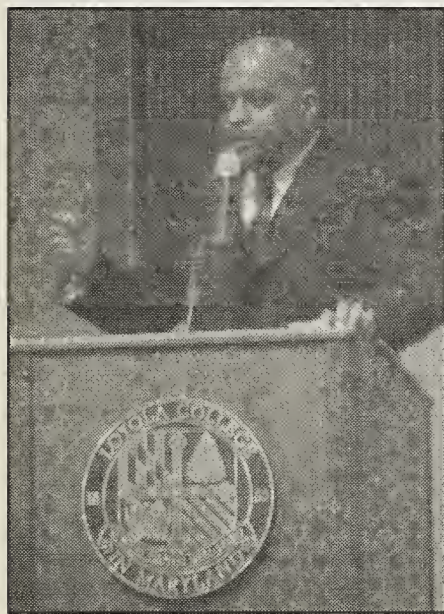
Barr, who is 25, along with Loyola sophomore Neil Mitten spoke specifically about ways in which students could get involved. Barr said, "Students historically have had a hand in every social movement in United States history."

She mentioned John Lewis and the SNCC who were crucial in the civil rights movement of the 60s as well as the student protests in

Tiananmen Square during the early 90s. In order to combat homelessness, "one of the most egregious injustices" in America, students would have to build a movement from "the ground up."

Mitten spoke about "selfish reasons" for students to join volunteering programs such as Meals on Wheels and Habitat for Humanity.

"It's fun, it's a good way to get out of the Loyola bubble we're all in and it's a lot of memories." But Mitten emphasized the need to go on beyond service and seek out the root causes of homelessness. "We need to work on a future where everyone will have a home and our society will have no need for shelters and soup kitchens."



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Don Whitehead, executive director of the NCH, spoke of the need for affordable housing.

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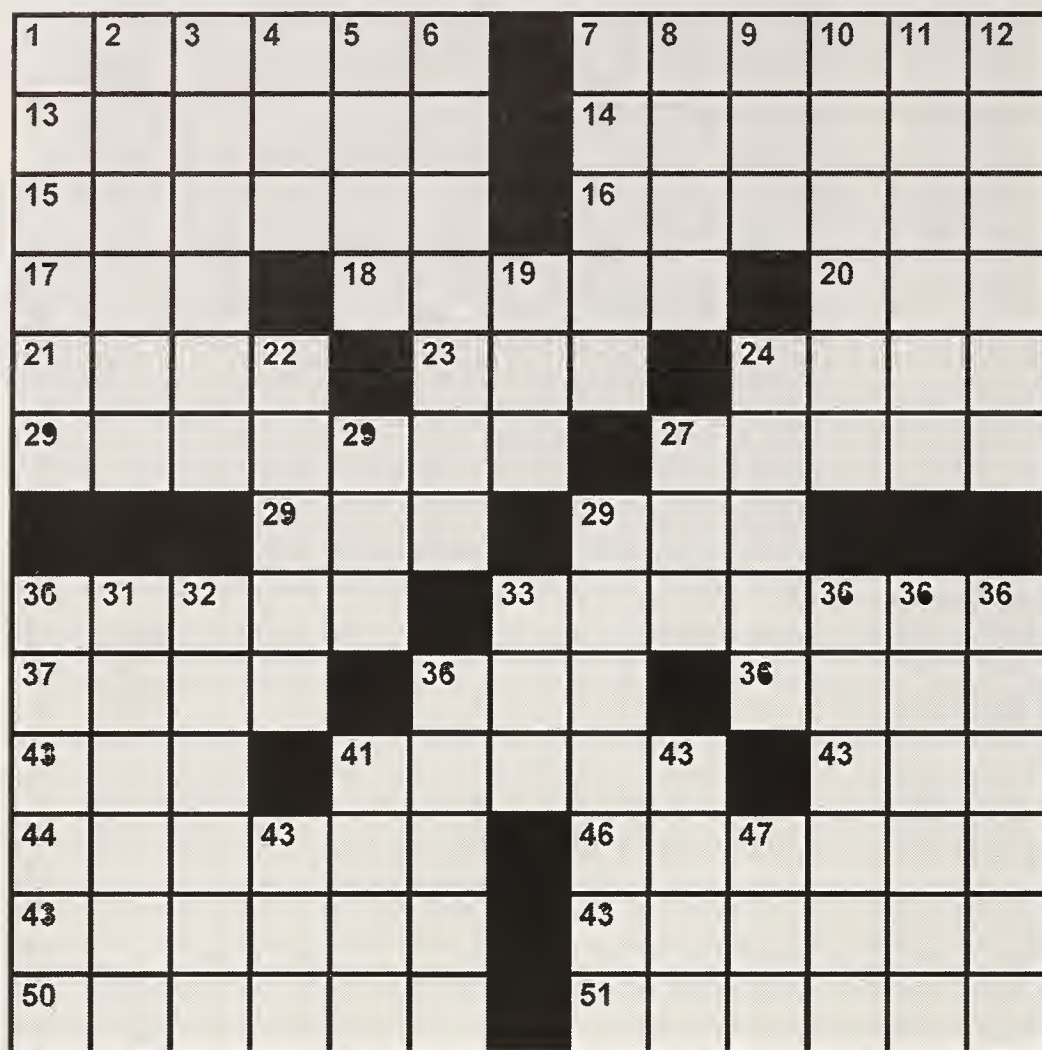
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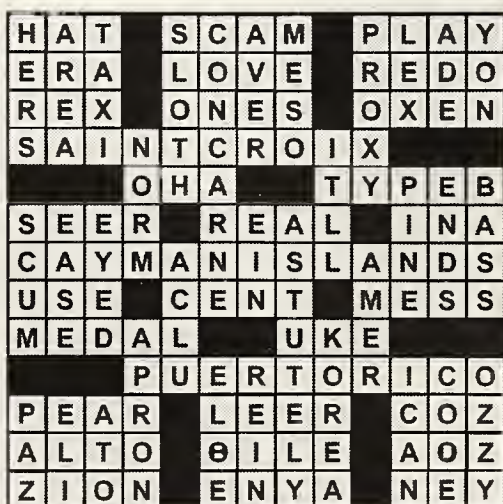
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The X-word Puzzle



- Across**
1 Noted atoll
7 U.S. senator from New Hampshire
13 Home to Lewis & Clark college
14 Come up
15 Left the building
16 Signs checked by nurses
17 McMaster University's prov.
18 Campbell and others
20 R & B singer Cantrell
21 Pinball machine mistake
23 Free (of)
24 Actress Lena of "Havana"
25 Like some wit
27 Captain of the Caine
28 "Big Blue"
29 Famed palindromic king
30 Netscape founder Marc Andreessen, and countrymen
33 Was a fan
37 Bar orders
38 Go ____ (flip out)
39 Figure skater ____ Thomas
40 Cat's sound
41 Fish along the bottom
43 They're supported by viewers like you
44 Hellishly-powerful helicopter
46 Catch, as fish
48 Shopping binges
49 93, for some gasoline
50 #1 hit for The Beach Boys
51 Pair of opposites
- Down**
1 South American capital
2 Not what you'd expect
3 It boils water
4 "Where did ____ wrong?"
5 "Street" or "fishtank" or "Zimbabwe"
6 For the time being
7 Got money together
8 Novelist Leon
9 March Madness event
10 In working condition
11 "Whoa, ____!"
12 Like some heroes
19 Aggrieved party, in "Law & Order" slang
22 Gives it a go
24 Dragged from the closet
26 Some bullets
27 Neighbor of 17-across
29 "____ Tommy" (noted rock opera)
30 Table linen fabric
31 Historic city of Syria
32 Not-very-historic city of New Jersey
33 He's busy in Apr.
34 Instant ____
35 The tide may be doing it
36 Walt with a vision
38 "You ____ right!"
41 The enemy
42 Having a delicate, open pattern
45 Top dog at the company
47 Potato chip brand

Solution to last week's puzzle:



Horoscopes

By Kelli Fox, Astrology.com

Aries: Your creativity is on fire these days. Remember all the little stories you make up, or some of them may come back to bite you. Ask someone you trust for their opinion.

Taurus: You're planning a party and you're ready to pull out all the stops. Right now you really understand that money isn't everything. How could the right person not love you?

Gemini: You can't deal with bad attitudes and personal rain clouds. Going where you'll be happy is the ultimate climate control. Anyone that you think can play this game with you is welcome to come along for the ride.

Cancer: Offer shelter for somebody who needs a safe place for a while. You have the perfect remedy for this ailment. A few hours with you might be all it takes to set things right again.

Leo: Fun is fun, but is someone getting careless? Hit the brakes before celebration slides into self-destruction. Wait a few days before the next adventure. Get a grip by explaining something to a data-challenged person.

Virgo: Your brain is functioning on multiple levels right now. Thinking keeps you amused, and talking about it spreads the love. Get as many people as you can on this train. You're all heading somewhere truly awesome.

Libra: Turn down the volume on your own soap opera — you'd rather hear about someone else's. That way, you can offer advice. Also, you could meet some of the best people in the supporting cast.

Scorpio: Anyone who says that life is unfair hasn't seen you lately. Things go your way with an uncanny ease as you live by the Golden Rule. It's an easy equation to remember when you're living it.

Sagittarius: Behave in public, and be yourself with your friends. If anyone's looking for subversive adventure, let them come to you.

Capricorn: Everybody thinks you have all the answers. Well, it's true. Your legendary wisdom really could make it a better world. Leave something for yourself, too.

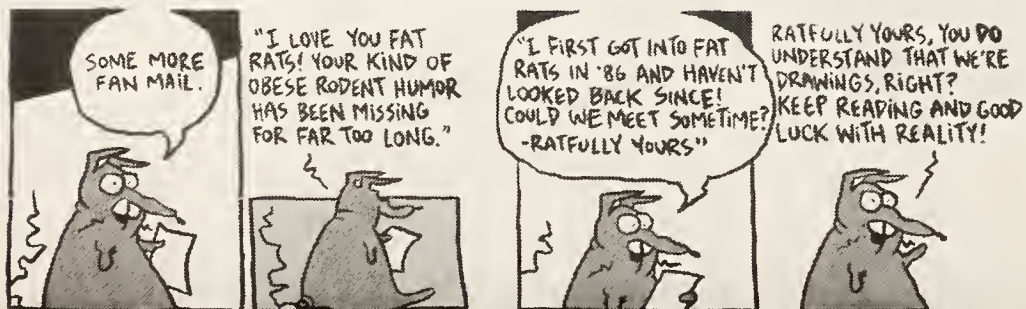
Aquarius: For once you get serious. Maybe you're in love with someone who's making you work for it. Maybe your boss is on the warpath. Spill your guts to the one person who understands. You'll feel so much better.

Pisces: Think like an artist. You like the softness of impressionism, but cubism really does it for you. You can do it all when you see the world from secret angles. Collaboration and conspiracy are seriously exciting.

What's on TGN 70 4/1 - 4/7

- Tuesday, April 1:**
12 p.m. to 12 a.m.
12 p.m. to 8 p.m.
8 p.m. to 9 p.m.
9 p.m. to midnight
REPEAT Newsroom 70
ZILO
NEW Alan and Joe Celebrate April Fool's LIVE
NATIONAL LAMPOON
- Wednesday, April 2:**
12 a.m. to 12 p.m.
12 p.m. to 8 p.m.
8 pm to midnight
NATIONAL LAMPOON (cont.)
Music Videos
REPEAT: "What's Gonna..."
- Thursday, April 3:**
12 a.m. to 12 p.m.
12 p.m. to 8 p.m.
8 p.m. to midnight
REPEAT: "What's Gonna..."
NATIONAL LAMPOON
Music Videos
- Friday, April 4:**
12 a.m. to 6 p.m.
6 p.m. to midnight
Music Videos
NEW: "On The Verge: A Documentary"
- Saturday, April 5:**
12 a.m. to 2 p.m.
2 p.m. to midnight
NEW: "On The Verge: A Documentary"
REPEAT: "Fate Date"
- Sunday, April 6:**
12 a.m. to 2 p.m.
2 p.m. to midnight
REPEAT: "Fate Date"
ZILO
- Monday, April 7:**
12 a.m. to 12 p.m.
12 p.m. to 8 p.m.
8 p.m. to midnight
ZILO (continued)
Music Videos
REPEAT: "Fate Date"

A Rat's Life by John West



The Anarchist by Dusty Higgins





Weather dampens golf team's weekend

BY JIM BREZICKI
STAFF WRITER

In less than ideal conditions, the Loyola golf team could not rally to defend their Drew Upton Classic trophy this weekend at the Great Hope Golf Course in Salisbury, Md.

Loyola shot a 319 on the first day and turned in a two-day 650, good for a middle of the pack finish in the tournament won by the University of Pennsylvania (625) (actual results were not published at time of publication).

Leading the way for the Greyhounds were Schubert, who shot a 79-81, and sophomore T.J. Shuart, whose 78-82 tied Schubert for a team best two-day score of 160. Mike Foley chalked up a tournament score of 164 and juniors Scott Zielinski and Jeff O'Brien finished with two-day scores of 167 and 171 respectively.

The Towson University-sponsored tournament is usually one in which Loyola does fairly well. Last season the Hounds took home the first place trophy and two years ago current senior Ben Schubert won the individual title.

The story of this tournament was the weather. Saturday saw 20-25 m.p.h. winds that changed the game plan of every golfer on the course, while Sunday's weather saw wind, rain and freezing temperatures that made low scores very difficult.

"From the Towson tournament you learn from playing in the inclement weather...it makes you tougher," said a frustrated O'Brien.

The team hopes to use what they learned from this experience in this weekend's match against Navy in Annapolis.

This tournament always brings fierce competition and the Hounds are looking forward to see what they are made of against some of the better teams in the country.

This was the team's third tournament of the spring season. They will have three more tournaments in April before the season ends.

The last two tournaments will take the team to sunny Arizona and Florida.

In Arizona, they will play in the Talking Stick Golf Club Tournament.

The MAAC Championships will round out their season at the end of April when they play at the Magnolia Golf Club in Disney World.

"You have to take [this weekend] as a learning experience and get mentally stronger," said Shuart. "[The Navy tournament] is close by and very competitive. We have to put this weekend behind us and move forward."

Schubert added, "We saw reality. Now we need to step it up."

#1 Hounds remain undefeated at midpoint

Trounce rival JMU on road

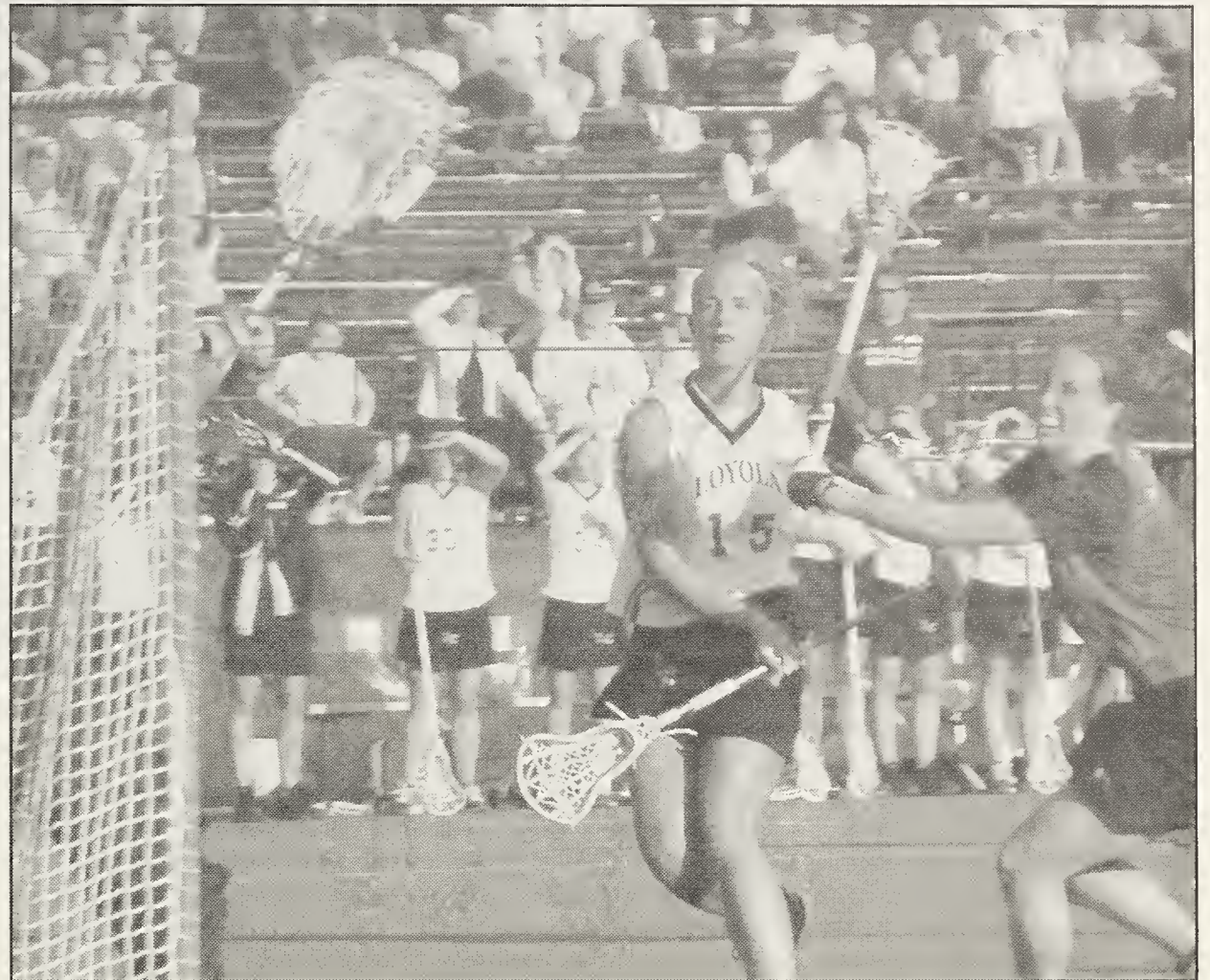
BY PETE DAVIS
SPORTS EDITOR

After coming out a little bit flat in a 12-3 victory against the University of Pennsylvania last Tuesday afternoon, Loyola's number one ranked women's lacrosse team jumped all over James Madison and never looked back Friday evening on their way to a dominating 15-3 victory. Loyola's impressive performance virtually ensures that the Hounds will retain the number one ranking when the new poll comes out this week.

In the Pennsylvania game, the Hounds started off slow as the Quakers tried to slow the game down and limit Loyola's offensive opportunities. The Hounds took an early lead scoring the first three goals of the game, two from Stephanie Walker and one from Sydney Greene.

"We did look a little flat at the beginning, but we brought it up," said Walker.

Pennsylvania responded quickly with goal on a free position shot by Lindsey Cassidy cutting the deficit to 3-1. At this point the Loyola coaches called a timeout, to light a fire under the team who was not sharp at the beginning of the game.



MIKE MEMOLI/GREYHOUND

Midfielder Stephanie Walker scored five goals against the University of Pennsylvania. The Hounds defeated the Quakers 12-3 at Curley Field last Tuesday afternoon.

"We were getting a little tired cause we're not used to running in the heat," said Walker. "[The coaches] just brought us in and got us together and we went from there."

Loyola scored the next four goals of the game, the first by Jen Shuerholz 22:45 into the first half. Less than a minute later, Walker recorded her third goal of the

game. It was Suzanne Eyler's turn next, scoring at the 27:19 mark and just 17 seconds later Rachel Shuck took a beautiful pass from Sydney Greene to give the Hounds a 7-2 lead going into halftime. The four goal outburst by the Hounds clearly demoralized the Quakers heading into the break.

If Pennsylvania had any thoughts of coming back in the game, they were quickly put to rest

as Loyola scored the first three goals in the first three minutes of the second half. Walker continued her career day scoring an unassisted goal while Talia Shacklock and Eyler added goals, both set up by beautiful passes from Shuck.

"Every time I get the ball I look to the middle, so ... I'm always looking to see if someone's there

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MIKE MEMOLI/GREYHOUND

Senior attacker Gunnar Goettelmann looks for an open teammate as he is defended by Towson's Ted Turnblacer.

Men fall to Towson

BY SEAN BURNS
STAFF WRITER

Take away the first quarter, and the 18th-ranked Towson Tigers

MEN'S LACROSSE	
#18 Towson	15
#9 LOYOLA	10
Saturday, Curley Field	

might not have been able to withstand the furious rally that Loyola's men's lacrosse team put

together as time was winding down.

Unfortunately for coach Bill Dirrigl and his 10th-ranked Greyhounds, the first 15 minutes of the game counted, and the 7-2 lead that the Tigers built at the outset was too wide of a gap to overcome as they fell 15-10 Saturday afternoon on Curley Field.

Things were looking grim right from the start, as senior co-captain

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LC stifles MAAC rivals

BY PETE DAVIS
SPORTS EDITOR

Both tennis teams had a busy week of action taking on both non-conference and conference opponents. The men's team defeated LaSalle on Tuesday afternoon in a close 4-3 battle and then took on MAAC opponents Iona and Fairfield on Friday and Saturday.

All of the matches against LaSalle, a quality team that has played very well this season, were extremely competitive. Loyola started off the match taking two of the three doubles matches that earned them the crucial doubles point. It was the first three singles players who stepped up for Loyola in this match. Captain John McConnell and Dan Schiemel both dominated their matches winning easily 6-2, 6-0 and 6-1, 6-0. Then it was up to Nick Bowers, who played the most exciting and important match of the day. Bowers, who attended LaSalle High School, dropped the first set 3-6 but rebounded to win the second set 6-4 forcing a decisive third set. Bowers finished off the comeback taking the final set 6-3 and ensuring a win for the Greyhounds.

When the weekend came

around the conference schedule started up with Loyola taking part in three important matches against Iona, Fairfield and St. Peter's. The men's team had good results this weekend defeating Iona and St. Peter's and losing a hard fought battle against Fairfield. Loyola captured the doubles point against Iona winning at the number one and two positions. Jonathon Falcichio clinched the match at

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MIKE MEMOLI/GREYHOUND

The tennis teams both found wins against MAAC teams.

Athlete of the Week: tennis player John McConnell

By ELIZABETH CLEARY
SPORTS EDITOR

Senior captain John McConnell undoubtedly is making the best of his senior tennis season, as he realizes that it may be the last time in his life where he will play tennis competitively.

This season, McConnell has steadily won his matches at the number one seed, where competition can be fierce. This past weekend, he won his matches two of the three days against MAAC opponents. Although he lost his match in two sets, he set the tone for his teammates for the rest of the meet by displaying his prominent leadership.

Iona is a tough team that beat the Hounds last year and has been giving the team trouble for quite awhile. But because the team came together to defeat them 4-2, McConnell said that he will look back on the meet as one of his most memorable for his career at Loyola.

"It was special because everybody chipped in for the win and everybody came together as a team," said McConnell. "We overcame an obstacle that we had been working for and we met a team goal together."

McConnell was successful in the other two meets this weekend, winning his matches against Fairfield on Saturday 6-4, 6-3 and against St. Peter's 6-0, 6-0.

McConnell started playing tennis late compared to other athletes.

"I started playing tennis during high school in ninth grade," said McConnell. "I started playing to stay in shape. I also played a lot of different sports, and tennis was a new challenge. My dad also played."

With his tough work ethic and athleticism, McConnell found success with tennis and kept playing.

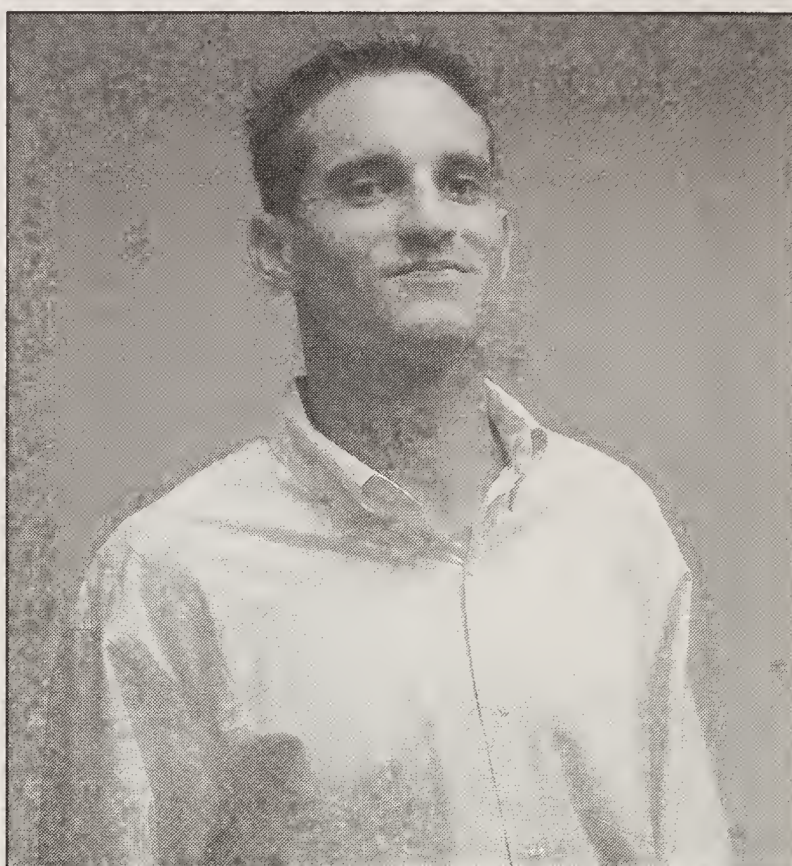
"The success I had made me want to be a better player," said McConnell.

McConnell kept improving through his high school years at St. Mark's School in his hometown of Wilmington, Del. He was the captain of his team and earned state recognition when he was recognized as number one in the 16-and-under category. McConnell also played on his school's soccer team, which was ranked 23rd in the nation.

However, his attention turned to tennis when the time came to play in college. McConnell saw a new challenge with ascending to the next level of competition at a school where he would be given the opportunity to play at the one seed in singles.

"I came to Loyola because Rick McClure is a great coach and he made me feel like he really wanted me to come here," explained McConnell. "He showed me how great the school was and what a great fit it was for me."

His freshman season (1999-2000), McConnell played at the third seed and made an immediate



NICK ALEXOPOULOS/GREYHOUND
Senior John McConnell continues to lead the men's tennis team by his hard work both on and off the court.

impact for the team. He posted 23 wins that season, which was the most by any player during Coach McClure's 23-year tenure as head coach. The steady play has continued all through his career at Loyola. He was voted the team's Most Valuable Player and the Most Dedicated Player for the third straight year.

Perhaps more impressive than his statistics, however, is McConnell's leadership on the team. He sets a solid example for all of his teammates, especially

with academics. McConnell achieved a 4.0 GPA last semester and has the highest GPA on the team.

"It's impressive how he's a 4.0 student," said his doubles partner John Laramie. "He's up all night studying and then shows up with energy ready to play."

McConnell also has strong leadership abilities, which he uses to bring the team together.

"He inspires us all to compete our best and he always gives 100 percent," said teammate Nick

Bowers. "He brings the team together because we all rely on him for his example."

"We see his confidence and how he never gives up and it makes us want to play the same way," added Laramie.

McConnell takes his leadership on the team very seriously.

"I enjoy trying to help my teammates by setting an example," explained McConnell. "I try to inspire them and set a higher standard and lead them."

McConnell is credited with setting the mood on the team, especially by giving the team a talk before they take the court.

With McConnell graduating and going onto law school at the end of the year, his presence will be missed on the team. He hopes that he can achieve 70 match wins by the end of his career (he currently has 65).

Doctors also discovered a tear in McConnell's shoulder, so he will have to have surgery on his shoulder at the end of the season.

Given his injury and his plans for law school, McConnell realizes that this season could be the end of his lifetime tennis career and is determined to make it the best possible.

Although he will leave at the end of the year, McConnell's leadership and heart has undoubtedly left a mark on Loyola's team.

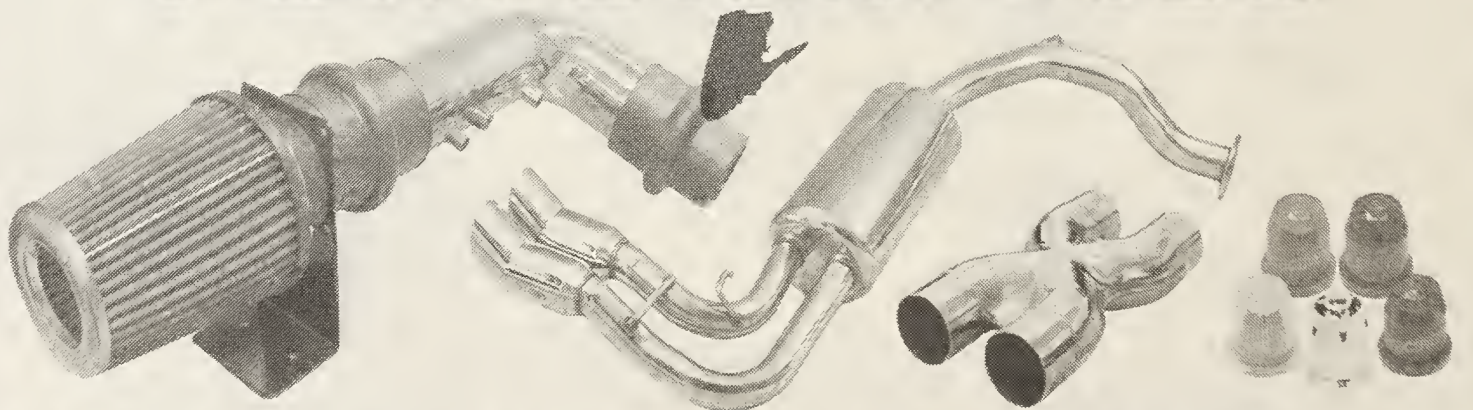
His doubles partner John Laramie said it best: "Everybody wants to be John McConnell."

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LC wins two this week Tigers take Battle of Charles St.

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and they do a good job of getting open all the time," said Shuck.

It was fitting that Walker and Shuck, the two stars of this game for Loyola, scored the final two goals for the Hounds. Walker finished the day with five goals while Shuck chipped in with five points, two goals and three assists.

Loyola traveled down to Virginia to face off against former CAA rival and 10th-ranked James Madison, the highest ranked opponent they have faced since taking the number one ranking. The Hounds came out and played a great team game from start to finish and did not leave any doubts about the legitimacy of their number one ranking.

The Hounds scored five goals in the opening 10 minutes of the game, two from Eyler and one each from Greene, Walker and Shacklock. James Madison got on the scoreboard with a goal by Lisa Staedt at the 12:42 into the first half, but Loyola quickly answered with the next three goals, two by Greene and one by Shuck.

Loyola took an insurmountable 8-1 lead into halftime.

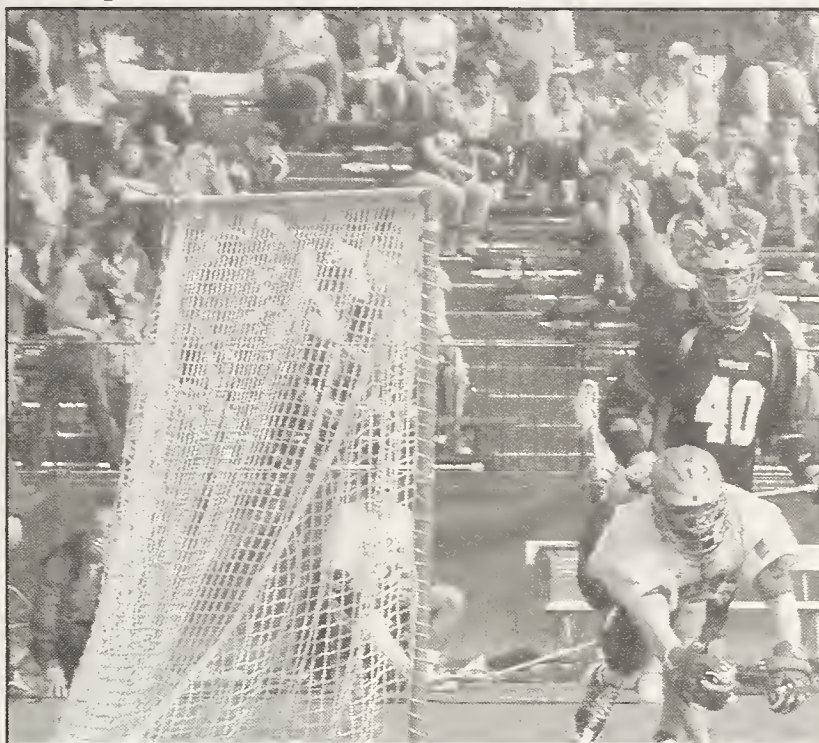
After Eyler opened up the goal

scoring just over three minutes into the second half to give Loyola a 9-1 lead, Lisa Staedt scored the next two goals of the game cutting the lead to 9-3. This was all the scoring that James Madison would get as freshmen goalie Cindy Nicolaus kept James Madison out of the net for the final 20 minutes of the game.

Even though the Hounds had a big lead, they did not let up offensively. Eyler added her fourth goal of the game and Greene, Shacklock, Christy McNew and Kristy Korow added goals for the Hounds. This was a great all around performance by Hounds, especially with the game on the road.

The women's lacrosse team has an important stretch of games coming up this week with two home games.

The Hounds host George Mason University on Wednesday afternoon and then have a game on Saturday against Penn State at 12 p.m., which will mark the Hounds' first-ever television appearance. The game against Penn State is the first of a double-header as the men play Syracuse at 3 p.m.



MIKE MEMOLI/GREYHOUND

Mark Bloomquist cannot make the diving save as Towson goes on to defeat Loyola 15-10 Saturday at Curley Field.

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Chris Summers went down less than a minute into the game with a deep-thigh bruise on a shot attempt. The team's second leading goal-scorer spent the remainder of the game on crutches, and it is unclear when he will be able to come back and play again.

The Greyhounds also spent all of Saturday's game without sophomore midfielders Mike Alfone and Parker Adams, who were both injured during the week.

"He (Summers) just got caught flat-footed," said Dirrigle. "The Towson guy's knee just went right into his thigh, and instead of us being up 1-0, it's a 0-0 game, and we've lost one of our starting guys. It was just a bad week for injuries."

Junior attackman Stephen Brundage started things off right, scoring an unassisted goal just after Sullivan left the game, but that was the only lead Loyola would hold in the game.

Towson's Alex Fountain scored his first of two goals in the contest two minutes later, which started a 5-0 Towson run that the Greyhounds never recovered from.

Drew Pharr, Ryan Obloj Matt

Florio, Todd Spear and Steve Mull all scored twice for the Tigers in the game.

"We really shot well for the first time this season," said Towson coach Tony Seamon. "We just finally put it in the goal. That's our best quarter and our best game this season."

Both the Greyhounds' offense and defense had trouble with the ball all day, leading to a whopping 34 turnovers, including a dismal 18-26 performance clearing the ball from their defensive end.

"We made a lot of mental mistakes, and we made a lot of physical errors," said Dirrigle. "One turnover leads to another leads to another and leads to another and leads to a goal."

Despite such a lackluster outing, there was still a chance as time wound down to tie things up, as Brundage and fellow attackman Gunnar Goetelmann combined for a 4-0 run at the end of the third quarter and into the fourth.

Goetelmann scored three of the four, and Brundage added a goal, in addition to assisting one of Goetelmann's.

But the damage had already

been done, and the Tiger's stopped the bleeding by adding three insurance goals in the final five minutes to ice the game.

The Hounds had battled back from a big deficit but never got over the hump to tie the game or take the lead. This happens a lot where a team expends so much energy while making their comeback, they do not have enough to finish it off.

Brundage, the team's leading scorer, led the way again with three goals and two assists.

Goetelmann scored all three of his goals in the late rally, and senior Joey Case added a goal and two assists.

Senior goalie Mark Bloomquist had a tough day between the pipes, facing 41 shots and making nine saves.

Towson's Reed Sothoron faced down 29 shots, stopping nine, including two point-blank opportunities that could have tied the game late in the third quarter.

The Greyhounds look to rebound next week at home as part of a men's and women's double-header on Curley Field.

As part of one of the biggest days this sports year at Loyola, the women host Penn State at noon, while the men face fourth ranked Syracuse University.



MIKE MEMOLI/GREYHOUND

Sydney Greene looks for an open teammate during Loyola's 12-3 victory against the University of Pennsylvania. The Hounds play their first game ever on television next Saturday.

NEXT GAME:



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Men's Lax Coaches Poll

How the Top 20 Fared This Week

Rank	Team	W-L	Points	Last Game
1.	Johns Hopkins	5-1	196	Beat #8 North Carolina
2.	Virginia	5-2	190	Lost to #7 Maryland
3.	Princeton	4-2	171	Beat #16 Yale
4.	Georgetown	6-0	169	Beat #12 Navy
5.	Syracuse	5-2	163	Beat Brown
6.	Massachusetts	7-1	161	Lost to Penn State
7.	Maryland	6-1	138	Beat #2 Virginia
8.	North Carolina	5-3	125	Lost to #1 Johns Hopkins
9.	Rutgers	8-1	113	Beat #17 UMBC
10.	LOYOLA	5-2	107	Lost to #18 Towson
11.	Duke	7-3	97	Beat Harvard
12.	Navy	4-4	84	Lost to #4 Georgetown
13.	Notre Dame	5-3	70	Beat Denver
14.	Cornell	5-2	63	Beat Pennsylvania
	Hofstra	5-3	63	Beat Drexel
16.	Yale	4-2	34	Lost to #3 Princeton
17.	UMBC	4-2	31	Lost to #9 Rutgers
18.	Towson	2-3	29	Beat #10 LOYOLA
	Villanova	6-1	29	Beat Sacred Heart
20.	Ohio State	4-2	21	Beat Delaware



Women's Lax Coaches Poll

How the Top 20 Fared This Week

Rank	Team	W-L	Points	Last Game
1.	LOYOLA	8-0	173	Beat #10 James Madison
2.	Maryland	9-0	171	Beat #11 Penn State
3.	Duke	9-1	169	Beat #17 Stanford
4.	Georgetown	5-2	153	Lost to #6 Princeton
5.	Virginia	8-2	144	Beat Temple
6.	Princeton	4-3	131	Beat #4 Georgetown
7.	Cornell	6-0	128	Beat Pennsylvania
8.	Syracuse	6-2	119	Beat Connecticut
9.	North Carolina	3-5	103	Lost to #16 Ohio State
10.	James Madison	6-2	88	Lost to #1 LOYOLA
11.	Penn State	4-4	87	Lost to #2 Maryland
12.	Yale	5-2	83	Lost to #15 Dartmouth
13.	Old Dominion	6-3	73	Lost to Boston University
14.	Notre Dame	3-3	64	Beat Virginia Tech
15.	Dartmouth	3-2	63	Beat #12 Yale
16.	Ohio State	7-1	43	Beat #9 North Carolina
17.	Stanford	6-2	35	Lost to #3 Duke
18.	Johns Hopkins	5-2	24	Beat #19 Northwestern
19.	Northwestern	5-3	17	Lost to #18 Johns Hopkins
20.	Vanderbilt	3-3	12	Beat #19 Northwestern

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**MIDNIGHT
BREAKFAST!**
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